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RIDING IN SCHOOLS, CAMPS AND COLLEGES

One of the educational phenomena of our time is the increase of riding at our schools, camps and colleges. Publications listing the curricula and sports offered by such institutions show a steady increase in the number which feature riding. At some it is offered as a sport, at others as one of the courses in physical education. One way or the other, however, a lot more students are learning to ride.

Arousing their interest presents no problem. Thanks to the efforts of Mr. Hopalong Cassidy and his partners in the movies, radio and television, thanks to the advertisers who feature colorful (if inaccurate) pictures of foxhunting, children are brought up to consider riding as one of the most glamorous of pursuits—which indeed it is.

The point of view of the school authorities—faculties and boards of trustees—is somewhat more complex, however. They realize—or should realize—that, from an educational point of view, riding at its best has more to offer than perhaps any other sport. In the field of physical education it teaches balance, and coordination, timing, quick responses and a delicate touch, as well as general athletic ability and bodily development. In the field of mental education it provides close concentration; a series of problems requiring for their solution accurate observation, reasoned analysis and practical application of a plan of action; a knowledge of the anatomy and mechanics of the horse and rider; and study of a highly developed theoretical system and of a sport which is both an art and a science and which has a long and fascinating history. In the field of character education it develops self-control, patience, cooperation, consideration and the particular gentleness and understanding which arises from close association with animals. To be a good rider one must learn to understand the mental and physical characteristics and capabilities of horses in general and of one's mount in particular and to regulate one's method of riding accordingly.

Riding at its best offers not only all these things during school and college but during our entire lives—a sport in which we can continue to participate, which we can teach to our children, and which we can always enjoy also as informed and appreciative spectators. Can any other school and college sport be cited which is capable of providing so much?

In the last issue Judith Barzcy Kelly, who is in charge of riding at a large women's college, cited a number of the difficulties which beset riding in educational institutions. At opposite poles are those which do everything for riding and those which can do nothing, because of physical or other limitations. In between are the institutions which could provide riding—but do not, and those which provide riding at something less than its best. In both these cases it is up to

all of us who believe in riding to do an adequate job of promotion.

Too many of us have been apologetic rather than aggressive in talking to faculties and boards of trustees. As Mrs. Kelly points out, when a new stadium, swimming pool, athletic field, or baseball cage is needed, parents and alumni put on a big drive and get the money. But if an indoor riding ring, a polo field, a show ring or some new horses are needed, we are apt to wring our hands instead of going after them. We even let school authorities charge us extra for what often are most inadequate facilities. Imagine the outcry if we were charged extra because our children were on the football, baseball or swimming squads.

It may be claimed that the other sports bring in more revenue from admissions and therefor justify a greater layout. The answer is that we have never really explored the drawing power of intercollegiate horse sports. We don't know how many people would flock to see good arena polo in the college stadium at night, how many people would come to see the intercollegiate Olympic Games events.

We do not suggest that scholastic riding programs should be keyed toward developing a few stars. On the contrary one of the great advantages of riding is that it is largely non-competitive, even in many of its sporting aspects, notably foxhunting. But we do suggest that we need not be apologetic about it. Let us make sure first that the authorities of our schools and colleges understand all that riding has to offer to students and, second, that they in fact offer it.

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Letters To The Editor

Bucephalus

Dear Sir:

The enclosed letter from Lida Fleitmann will interest you. I do not want it back, as I have answered it. We judged together at Cleveland in '29 and I last saw her with Piero Santini at the Garden in New York just before the last war.

Yours sincerely,

Col. R. S. Timmis

February 3, 1954

Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Dear Col. Timmis:

Just a few lines to tell you how very much I enjoyed reading about Bucephalus in The Chronicle. I remember him so well and the mere mention of his

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BREEDING

AND

Racing

A SECTION
DEVOTED TO THE INTERESTS
OF THE TURF



Racing Review

Results of Stakes Events at Santa Anita, Hialeah, Gulfstream Park, and Fair Grounds

Raleigh Burroughs

With the Florida Derby, at Gulfstream Park, coming up very soon, it is natural that memory should turn back to last season when the Hallandale horticultural gardens assumed sponsorship of the event.

The pageantry, including a spectacular horseback parade of the states, water skiers and moth boats, vied with the race for top billing, but didn't quite make it, as Money Broker won, paying 30-some for two, and nearly everybody in the press box had him.

The colt went on to gain everlasting fame by throwing a crossblock on Native Dancer in the Kentucky Derby, causing Vanderbilt's representative to loose many lengths and, some think, the race. (Some think, he says!)

Being one of those unfortunate individuals who can't sleep after the rosy fingers of Aurora (Hyperion—Thea) reach across the horizon, I had ample opportunity to enjoy the Florida morning and stroll the civilized sands of Miami Beach, during the days before the Derby.

As first to arise, it was my duty to open the windows to permit the air-conditioned hotel room to warm up—and then to beachcombing.

A fellow who has strolled the dunes of North Carolina's Outer Banks knows that adventure may lie beyond the next slough; anything from a case of scotch to a case of conch eggs may roll in on the next breaker. I once found a blonde, virtually perfect, except for being partially diluted with alcohol. That's the truth. As the season was closed I filled her with coffee and released her regretfully, I must admit, as she would have looked swell in my trophy room.

The powdered coral in front of the Biltmore-Terrace is not a happy hunting ground for the beachcomber. Maybe after a hurricane it's better, but during the week before the Florida Derby, the anemic waves had barely the strength to bunt in a dying jellyfish.

At one time I thought I spied an alien submarine—conning tower and all—about a hundred yards out; but it proved to be Tom O'Reilly, of the Morning Telegraph, floating on his back drinking lemonade from a glass.

O'Reilly, I would say, was the most interesting item washed up, which gives you an idea of how things were for the beachcomber.

Tom is the same gent who got into an argument in a plane, 22,000 feet over the Atlantic Ocean, and invited the other fellow to "step outside." Mornings spent with the rusty-dome are about like read-

ing his column, which is as good a way as any to while away the hours before race time.

The field for this year's Florida Derby is rated a bit more classy than the last. If the bright lights among the entries all turn up for the race it should have considerable significance and play a part in the elimination process. Good ones from the West Coast are expected to have a try against some of the top stars of the East.

Santa Anita

Because the course is down hill, and people make snide remarks about records set under the influence of gravity, somebody at Santa Anita ruled that marks set on the new turf course should not be claimed for American records. This was a generous gesture, but it was overruled. The Triangle Publications people, who keep and publish every fact and figure on racing their hired hands can dig up, recognize how complicated things can get if some statistics cover the United States and others the United States and Santa Anita. If it's the fastest at the distance, it's the record everywhere, Triangle insisted. So Santa Anita could do no more than spread its palms and say "We tried."

Thus, the American record for 1½ miles on the turf is 2:26, since By Zeus rolled down the slope in the San Juan Capistrano, at that distance and in that time on March 6. The former record

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2:28½ was set at Hialeah by *Royal Vale last year and tied on the same course by Picador on March 3, this season.

By Zeus, owned by Mrs. Edward Lasker (Jane Greer to people who go to the movies), was going on the grass for the first time. The winner was coupled with King Ranch's Rejected in the wagering as both colts are trained by Buddy Hirsch.

First away from the gate was South Arlington, but almost at once Alberta Ranches' Wandering Ways took the lead, with her stablemate, Indian Hemp, close behind. Past the stands for the first time, Indian Hemp was well in front. Wandering Ways, Rejected and Thirteen of Diamonds—third member of the Alberta troupe followed.

At the far turn, Rejected was moving toward the leader and so was By Zeus.

Coming into the stretch By Zeus went to the top and drew out to win by 4½.

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PIEDMONT POINT-TO-POINT RACES

Saturday, March 27th.

To be run over a flagged course at Rokeby Farm, near Upperville, Va.

1st Race, 3:30 P.M. — Rokeby Challenge Bowl. Race for Gentlemen. Weight 175 lbs. The Rokeby Bowl to be presented to the owner of the winner, to be held for one year; a piece of plate also to be presented outright to the owner of the winner. The Bowl to be kept outright if won three times by the same owner, not necessarily consecutively, and not necessarily with the same horse. About 4½ miles.

2nd Race, 4:00 P.M. — Race For Ladies. Side-saddle or astride. Minimum weight 145 lbs. Minimum of four starters to constitute race. A piece of plate to be presented to the owner of the winner. About 3½ miles.

1. No horse which has raced under Jockey Club or N. S. H. A. Rules during the year prior to this race shall be eligible.
2. Any horse must have been Regularly and Fairly hunted during this season.
3. All riders regular followers of a Recognized Hunt, acceptable to Committee.

No entry fees if entries received on or before Saturday Midnight, March 20th, 1954, by Mrs. Earl Dawson, Middleburg Saddlery, Middleburg, Va.

Post Entries \$5

Racing Review

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lengths. Rejected was second, Dormar Stable's Lucative third, and Helbush Farm's Nearque II fourth.

By Count Fleet—Athene, by *Heliopolis, By Zeus was bred by Mr. and Mrs. Lasker. He did not race at two, but won 3 and was third twice in 12 races last year at three. He earned \$14,750.

In 1954, he has raced 6 times, winning 2 races, running second in 2 and earning \$125,650. He won the San Fernando Stakes and was second to Apple Valley in the Maturity. Ray York was astride for the Capistrano.

March 6 was closing day for the Santa Anita meeting.

Horse owners love Santa Anita, so whenever a stakes race comes up, anybody who has a fit animal that didn't race yesterday is represented—regardless of distance.

Fresh off the mile-and-a-quarter Santa Anita Handicap, which he would have won had he made the trip about five seconds faster, Berseem was sent for the seven-furlong Christopher J. Fitzgerald Handicap four days later (on March 3.)

Having had a rough trip in the biggest Non-Televised Race, Berseem didn't lag behind this time. With about half the race to go, there was nothing in front of him but Hill Gail, so it was only a matter of waiting until the Calumet prima donna decided where he would duck out. That left the way clear for the run home. Berseem won by 3½ lengths over Woodchuck, with Joe Jones another length and a quarter back in third place and 2½ lengths ahead of All Power.

Berseem is a four-year-old son of *Bernborough—Little Priss, by Sweep All. He is owned by A. Hirschberg and trained by F. E. Childs. C. T. Fisher bred the dark bay colt.

The \$13,250 pot gave Berseem earnings of \$26,875 for '54, with 2 wins and a second and a third in 6 starts. Last year, he won 8 of 18, was second twice and third twice and accumulated \$46,305.

W. Harmatz had the leg up in the Fitzgerald.

The San Luis Rey Handicap is a mile gallop for three-year-olds which haven't won \$25,000 in one lump since New Year's Day. Nine were found which were able to qualify. Six of them are nominated to races of the Triple Crown but it is doubtful if performances of many of them on March 5 will influence their owners to ship East.

Allied, the property of A. J. Crevolin, who owns Determine also, was the winner, and ran a fine race. Following closely on the swift pace of Brighter Days, he took over the lead with two furlongs to go and was a length and a half ahead of Fault Free at the wire. The time of 1:35½ was but three-fifths of a second slower than the track mark. El Drag and Travertine followed the first two home.

Allied (*Ambiorix—Hot Slippers by Our Boots) paid \$29.50 to those who could interpret a winning effort from the past performances.

Worth \$13,150, the race brought Allied's 1954 total to \$17,850. He has a win, a second and a third in 8 starts. Last season he raced 9 times and shows 2 wins and 5 seconds. His earnings amounted to \$8,225.

Trained by Willie Molter, the colt was bred by The Sellersburg Corporation, Continued On Page 33

52nd Running

GRAND NATIONAL POINT-TO-POINT

6th Running

WESTERN RUN PLATE

7th Running

Foxhunters Challenge Cup

Saturday, April 17, 1954

Butler, Maryland

Post Time: 3:00 P.M.

Grand National: Abt. 3 miles over natural hunting country. Weight: 165 lbs. 4-year-olds allowed 5 lbs. No other allowances. Owners, *riders and horses acceptable to the Committee.

Western Run Plate: Abt. 3 miles over natural hunting country, including most of the Grand National Course. No fence to exceed 4'-0". Maidens only. Weight: 175 lbs. No other allowances.

*In determining whether a rider is "acceptable to the committee" the following general rules will apply:

- rider is holder of amateur certificate from the National Steeplechase and Hunt Assn. or is eligible for the same.
- rider not holding amateur license from the National Steeplechase and Hunt Assn., but who is a member of a recognized hunt club, and whose avocation is fox hunting for pleasure and who, although he may derive his livelihood from horse activities, does not accept pay for riding in races; may be permitted to ride. It is to be understood in good faith that no riders shall be paid either directly or indirectly for riding in the Grand National Point-to-Point or the Western Run Plate.

Foxhunters Challenge Cup: Same course as the Western Run Plate. Weight 185 lbs. Owners must be members of, or a subscriber to, a recognized Hunt Club. Horses to have been hunted regularly, and to be ridden in colors or pink by their owners, or members of owners' immediate family over sixteen years of age.

Trophies to Winners and Riders of Winners

Owner of Grand National winner to have possession for one year of the William F. Cochran, Jr. Memorial Challenge Cup.

The committee reserve the right to cancel the Western Run Plate or The Foxhunters Challenge Cup midnight, Saturday, April 10th in the event of insufficient entries. However, all entries and fees will be acceptable for the Grand National Point-to-Point. In case of cancellation entrance fee will be refunded if owner does not wish to run in Grand National or to run maidens in Western Run Plate.

Entrance fee: \$10 for each race

Entries close midnight Saturday, April 10 with

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In The Clouds Wins At Rappahannock

34 Horses Start in 6 Events at Annual Rappahannock Hunt Point-To-Point

Nancy G. Lee

Snow capped mountains forming a background for a Virginia point-to-point is not the usual order of the day, but neither does the Rappahannock Hunt's point-to-point follow any set pattern. This hunt takes its own line in setting up its point-to-point and instead of carding a couple or at the most, three races, they had 8 races carded for its date of March 6 at Leeway Farm, Washington, Va. One of the races was run in two divisions, but even so, 7 races are practically unheard of in this day and age.

The wind did its best to blow everyone off the hilltops but rider Reuben Smoot ran into difficulty without benefit of any gale. Prior to the farmers' race (work horse division), he tried to mount Etta, gave himself too much of a boost and promptly landed on the off side. His bad luck held for the day as M. Cheatham's Etta was leading the field of 3 when her saddle slipped, dropping rider Smoot to the ground on the wrong side of the judges' wagon. H. Dodson turned in a rousing finish on F. Dodson's Bill, only to be disqualified for cutting a flag, leaving the spoils of victory to W. Leake on J. W. Ritiver's Mag.

The cow ponies were the next to line up and this time only 2 faced the starter. The finish proved to be an easy one for S. McGee riding T. Eastham's Birdie with the other starter, Raymond Wire's Doll, coming in for 2nd under the reins of R. Buck.

The Battle Run, about 3 miles over natural hunting country, was a closed race for gentlemen and again 3 horses lined up for a quick get away. Mr. F. L. DeVeccia (formerly known as Fred Jackson), was away on top with Over-the-Hill Farm's Redmond, a bay gelding which ran over hurdles and brush last season. The trio safely negotiated the 1st jump, an aiken and were strung out as they raced across the field behind the judges' wagon, came around the cedar marker and jumped the 2nd, a post and rail. Redmond was still leading with Owner rider Mr. Leon T. Greenaway 2nd on his Dr. Ober and Mr. M. Smithwick 3rd on Morton W. Smith's Sea Trouble. After the 3rd, which is out of sight if one stays on the side of the hill closest to the judges' wagon, Mr. Greenaway was rat-

ing Dr. Ober well off the leading Redmond. Mr. Smithwick began to move up on Sea Trouble after the 4th and at the 5th, the chicken coop, he was 2nd behind Redmond. At the 7th Sea Trouble really put in a bad one but failed to unseat Mr. Smithwick. On the flat after the 8th, Mr. DeVeccia really opened up on Redmond and here the race was joined by a late entry as a dog entered the sport for a few minutes, only to leave the course after a short trip.

At the 9th Dr. Ober refused with Mr. Greenaway and was pulled up. This left the small field of 2 still in the race but Redmond showed no signs that he could be caught. Over the aiken for the 11th and last jump, Mr. DeVeccia and Redmond were well out on top and when Sea Trouble hit this one hard, the finish was definite. Redmond came on to win by some 20 lengths and Mr. DeVeccia chalked up his first winning point-to-point ride.

While the horses were in the paddock prior to The Battle Run, Owner-rider Miss Anne Harris from the White Marsh Valley Hunt Club country, had ridden around on her chestnut gelding, Woodlark. With The Mount Salem now called postward, the pair became an entry as this was the ladies race. Five ladies left the paddock and they didn't have to parade far as their event was over 10 jumps, making the start off to the side of the paddock.

Over the 1st jump Miss Harris and Woodlark showed the way ahead of Miss Sally Roszel on Joseph Mulford's recruit from the show rings and hunting field, Clifton's Dixie with Capt. J. L. B. Bentley's Gillian next. Miss Jean Blackwell was an owner-up on her Bones and the last horse over was McDowell with owner-rider Mrs. John Burke. By this time the combination of bucking the wind while trying to climb the hill was too much so a station was set up by the aiken, thus eliminating all chance to see two of the jumps as well as a good galloping stretch on the other side of the hill. However, as they came into sight after jumping the 3rd, the pace setter was Bones, followed by Woodlark and Clifton's Dixie. At the chicken coop Miss Blackwell and Bones went

the long way, going to the outside while Miss Roszel saved ground with Clifton's Dixie by staying close to the inside. Over the aiken, the order was still Bones and Woodlark but now Mrs. R. H. Rogers had moved into 3rd on Gillian with Clifton's Dixie 4th and McDowell 5th.

Approaching the turn marked by the cedar tree, Bones really swung wide but came back quickly to lead over the 6th with Clifton's Dixie and Woodlark jumping as a pair and Gillian and McDowell pairing up. Back into sight there was a battle on between Bones and Clifton's Dixie and the former again jumped the far end of the chicken coop, giving a slight lead to Clifton's Dixie. Miss Roszel lost no time in heading for the aiken with Clifton's Dixie and the pair showed the way to Bones with Mrs. Rogers having a close call on Gillian when the mare almost went down. At this point Mrs. Burke had moved up with McDowell and in the stretch drive, Clifton's Dixie, Bones and McDowell were really racing well bunched. First under the wire was the young lady, Miss Blackwell and Bones with Clifton's Dixie 2nd, McDowell 3rd, Gillian 4th and Woodlark 5th. Last year at this point-to-point, Miss Blackwell rode Bones to finish a good 2nd in the ladies' race but this time they went to the winner's circle.

A field to be envied by any committee working on entries for a point-to-point was The Mount Marshall starters. Nine horses lined up and Maryland rider, Mr. L. Murray, had his eye on the flag, getting Mrs. Norman K. Toerge's In The Clouds off on top. This pair led over the aiken and the gelding put in such a big one that he stumbled upon landing, placing his rider in a precarious position for a few seconds. However,

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Rappahannock Pt.-to-Pt.

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they retained the lead as Mr. C. Jelke moved into 2nd on Mrs. John Burke's Peace Theater. Heading the field over the 2nd were In The Clouds and Peace Theater and then they went out of sight toward the 3rd. Back into sight, Mr. Murray had not relinquished his position on In The Clouds and came on to lead over the chicken coop ahead of Mr. R. Dart on Capt. J. L. B. Bentley's Stand-down. These two horses were still in front over the aiken as they completed a turn of the course and in 3rd position was Mr. M. Smithwick on Mrs. Jack Skinner's *Polichinela II with owner-rider Mr. Cyrus Manierre, Jr. 4th on Uncle Pierre. The rest of the field was made up in the following order: Owner-rider Mr. Louis Neilson on Fauquier Flag, Peace Theater, Owner-rider Mr. Henry Loomis on Jono, Owner-rider Mr. Andrew Bartenstein on Dormouse and Owner-rider Mr. J. Mallory Nash on Brunie Bay.

Over the 7th the order of the first four horses remained the same but Mr. Loomis moved into 5th on Jono. The 8th is out of sight but at this one Stand-down didn't take off and he went earthward with Mr. Dart. At this jump Mr. Jelke and Peace Theater also went down.

In The Clouds was heading toward the final phase of the race, still handling the duties of the pace setter under the reins of Mr. Murray. Approaching the 10th, the chicken coop, Mr. Manierre parted company with Uncle Pierre but over this one In The Clouds safely retained the lead. At the last jump Mr. Smithwick and *Polichinela II did their best to catch the leading In The Clouds

and in the stretch run the pace didn't slacken. First by the judges' stand was In The Clouds with *Polichinela II placing ahead of Fauquier Flag. Mr. Bartenstein had trouble getting by the loose Uncle Pierre but he made it to bring in Dormouse 4th. Mr. Loomis had also encountered trouble with Uncle Pierre while approaching the last jump but managed to get clear and he finished 5th on Jono with Mr. Nash and Brunie Bay completing the order of finish.

Oddly enough, In The Clouds was bred only a few miles from the scene of this race, he having been bred by W. G. Eastham. James P. McCormick bought him as a 2-year-old and Mrs. McCormick had him as her mount in the hunting field when he was 3 and 4. Two years ago he was sold to Mrs. Toerge as a brush prospect but while in training, he bowed. Returned to the farm, he was turned out for two years and only returned to the hunting field this season. He was trained by Mr. McCormick and ran against a former McCormick-owned hunter, Fauquier Flag, which was ridden by his owner, Louis Neilson, to finish 3rd in this race.

Four horses started in the Rappahannock Bowl which was a closed heavy-weight race for gentlemen. Owner-rider Mr. F. M. Lewis went out early to set a fast pace on his War Eagle, followed by another owner-rider combination, Mr. W. G. Eastham on Jenny Wren. Over the 2nd these two horses jumped as a pair, followed by Mr. J. W. Fletcher on Miss Mildred B. Fletcher's Warsir and Owner-rider Mr. W. F. Moffett, Jr. on Little Caesar. Back into sight, Jenny Wren was pulling as she handled the pace setting ahead of War Eagle. She still showed the way over the next two jumps but at the latter, the 6th, Little

Caesar refused and Mr. Moffett rode him off the course.

Mr. Lewis and War Eagle now went to the top ahead of Jenny Wren and Warsir but when they came back into sight, Mr. Fletcher had moved into 2nd on Warsir with Jenny Wren 3rd. The next jump was the chicken coop and here Mr. Fletcher was really moving on Warsir, getting into the jump practically on even terms with War Eagle. War Eagle hit hard, took out the top of the section of the jump and while he didn't fall, his landing was such that Mr. Lewis came off.

Jenny Wren was far off the pace as Warsir raced toward the last jump amid yells "Don't hurry! No one's near you!" Warsir didn't slacken his pace over the aiken and went on to win well ahead of the only other horse to finish, Jenny Wren.

The Ben Venue was an open heavy-weight event and this time there were 8 horses plus a number of riders who had to go lead seeking to make the minimum weight of 200 lbs. Mr. Stewart Felvey lost no time getting away from the start on George Cole Scott's Big Time and this pair showed the way over the aiken, followed by owner-rider combinations of Mr. T. E. Taylor on Old Fashioned, Col. John E. Russell, Jr. on Flurry Knox, Mr. Reginald Vickers on Old Crow (formerly known as Hitchhiker), Dr. J. W. Roger's on Star Salome, Mr. Peter Winants on Chummy, Mr. W. L. Rochester, Jr. on Conjure Ghost and Mr. Richard Dole on Mrs. Simon T. Patterson's Scotch Wave.

Around the cedar marker and over the 2nd, Big Time still handled the pace with Old Fashioned 2nd, Old Crow 3rd

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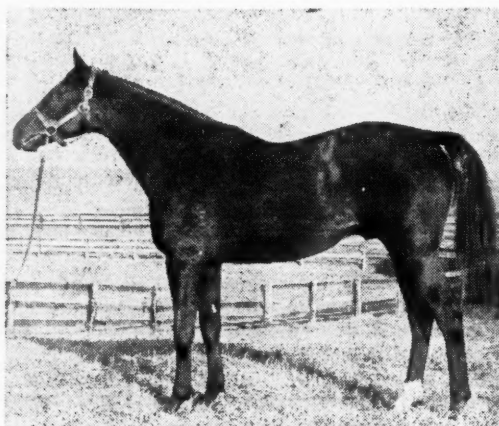
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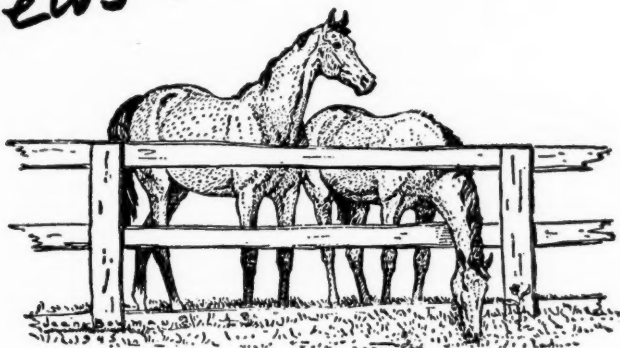
STANDING AT

North Cliff Farm

Mr. & Mrs. Melville Church II

Rixeyville, Virginia

News From the Studs



LOUISIANA

First Stakes Win

Red Head Stable's Futuresque won the Saturday (February 20) feature at the New Orleans Fair Grounds course—the \$10,000 added Le Compte Handicap. This in itself is not too great an accomplishment, yet when you reflect that there are over 600 stakes offered during the year which will be won by 400 plus horses from a group of Thoroughbreds which numbers well over 23,000, it's at least noteworthy.

However, the most remarkable thing about the race was the winner. Not only was he completely overlooked in the betting—would have paid far above the \$12.40 he turned back, except that he was coupled with a well-fancied stable—but Futuresque was winning his first stakes race at the age of 7.

Bred by A. B. Hancock, he was a member of the yearling group which Claiborne Farm sent to the 1948 Keeneland Summer Sales, where Frank Frankel bought the bay son of Questionnaire—Recussion, by Gallant Fox for the high bid of \$10,500.

The Frankel purchase did not start at 2 and the following season, Futuresque made his first appearance under silks at Belmont Park on June 1, 1950. The race being written for 3-year-olds and up, all entries to race with a \$6,000 claiming tag attached. Never a serious factor during any of the running, Futuresque finished 5th, to find a halter-man waiting. Mrs. L. Laurin had put in the necessary \$6,000—so in 2 years time he had been sold for \$16,500 and had made one start on a race track, earning nothing but the experience.

On August 15th of the same year, after some 8 starts in which he gained more experience (he did earn a 2nd, a 3rd and a 4th) he made the grade into the winner's circle. The place was Rockingham Park, the event was of a mile and 70 yards duration, for a purse of \$1,800, of which he got \$1,150.

Through the years since his first start in 1950, Futuresque has been shuffled from owner to owner but unlike most horses, generally in an upward direction. In 1951 he broke into the ranks of allowance winners, and then the following season scored victories in claiming, allowance and overnight handicap company.

In 1953 his wins were all among allowance performers, while this year in 6 starts he has never been out of the

money, scoring 4 3rds (1 of which was the result of a disqualification of the horse in front of him), and 1 4th place, all in allowance or handicap company, and then his Le Compte Handicap.

In approximately 4 years and 13½ months of campaigning, Futuresque has won his first stakes race, and some \$74,970.

—K. K.

TEXAS

Surprise

When a man receives a present he is anticipating, he feels good, but when he gets a gift like a bolt out of a clear sky,

then he feels out of this world. And this is the state of affairs with Tommy Thompson, proprietor of the well known Thompson Horse Van Service, who currently is walking on air because his young chestnut mare, Eonian, 1950, by Eternal War—Brown Street by *Kiev, gifted him without advance notice a grand looking chestnut colt at daylight Feb. 23. The proud papa is Frank's Pal, by Port au Prince—Lady Le Compte, by Bunting. Port au Prince incidentally is by Wise Counsellor. Eonian and her foal are at Hurst awaiting service to Lucky Oscar, The Frank's Pal colt is the first foal at Hurst this year.

Star of Erin

Col. Thomas Harrell, U. S. Air Force, just back from a tour of duty in Korea and currently stationed at Dover Air Base, Del., lost no time arranging plans to bring his 2-year-old filly, Star of Erin (Mr. Chairman—Irish Bonnet), to this point from Fort Worth, Texas, where he and his father in law, H. H. (Doc.) Brants are associated in the ownership of Ridgelea Hunt Club.

Playing a Hunch

Bud Burmester is rather fond of the initial B, as one might gather from his name, so when G. R. White, Brady, Texas, Thoroughbred patron, sent along the *Kiev mare, Big Blizzard, for breeding, Mr. Burmester, instead of booking this mare to his own stallion, Lucky Oscar, decided to play a hunch and send her to the very well bred Big Brass, (War Admiral—Gala Belle by *Sir Gallahad III) recently found on an obscure Texas farm. "If the mare is going to co-operate and give us a foal, this will give us a youngster in 1955 that will have a lot of

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Stakes
Winner

JOE RAY

Infinite—Glitter, by Display

Broke Pimlico
Record of 17 years



His get included the 1953 winners: Blue Josie, winner of 4 races; Joe Cream & Elsie M, each a winner of 2 races; Joe Ray Jr., winner over hurdles.

JOE RAY had 4 winners, 1 placed in 1953.

FEE: \$250 Return

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B's in the pedigree" commented Burmester, who is already turning over thoughts of requesting the name Big Big, Four Bees, So Big, BBBB and other of like ilk from Mrs. Brennan, the Registrar.

—Bud Burmester

PENNSYLVANIA

Two in February

Two February foals arrived at Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Glass' Grange Farm, West Chester, Pennsylvania. The first came on February 20th—a chestnut colt by Grand Slam—Pony Ballet, by Theatrical. The dam, Pony Ballet was a winner of the Polly Drummond Stakes (in the then new track record time of :59 for the $\frac{3}{4}$ mile route), and accounted for 13 other races before being retired to stud. She is the dam of the winning fillies, Copier and Anchor Belle, as well as a yearling Grand Slam colt which was sold last year to A. V. Campbell III of White Hall, Maryland. Pony Ballet will be bred to the stakes winning—now successful sire, Colony Boy (Eight Thirty—Heritage, by *Pharamond II) which stands at Grange Farm.

The second arrival came on February 22nd—a brown colt by Colony Boy—East is East, by *Easton. This mare, a winner at 2 and 3, is a half-sister to numerous winners, and to the stakes winners Adroit (winner of 18 races and \$72,140) and Indus, as well as to the stallion Kashmir, which stands at Robert F. Griffith's Farm near Philomont, Virginia.

East is East, a year-round boarder at Grange Farm is owned by Karl D. Smith of West Halifax, Vermont. She will most likely be bred to Yildiz, the successful son of *Mahmoud—Ace Card, by Case Ace, which has been retired to stand his first season at Grange Farm.

—K. K.

VIRGINIA

Llangollen's Four

On February 24th, the Llangollen Farm of Mrs. E. Cooper Person had four home-bred horses, all 3-year-olds by *Endeavour II entered at three different tracks in three parts of the country under three different trainers.

The Pride of the quartet, Porterhouse, Virginia's classic hope, was making his first start of the 1954 season at Santa Anita in the 5th race. Trainer Charlie Whittingham had the fleet colt going in a 6 furlong jaunt against a group of far better than useful 3-year-old sprinters, but the rangy fellow was the "people's choice".

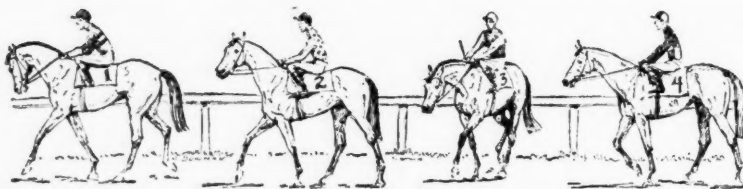
Spring Lark, a bay son of the show ring mare Spring Hope, by Mad Hatter was also making his first start of '54, H hour was the 3rd race at Charles Town, West Virginia, and like Porterhouse, he was expected to "stick it out" for a distance of 7 furlongs.

The Proff, a grey colt out of a *Bel-fonds mare, in the hands of Trainer K. Jensen was making his 2nd start of the season in a 6 furlongs maiden affair for colts and geldings in the 1st at Hialeah. He was not too well favored—a reasonable deduction in view of the fact that his seasonal debut landed him 10th in a field of 12 when the proximity of the wire was reached.

The final member of the band was Tessa, also a member of the "Porterhouse Gang" of Charlie Whittingham's, which was going out for her fourth attempt to enter the winner's circle. In previous dashes around the track in maiden and allowance company she had earned \$750

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STAKES CLOSING DATES



A weekly reminder of the closing dates for nominations and payments to the principal racing events of North America.

The following data has been supplied by the racing associations. In consequence The Chronicle cannot assume responsibility for its accuracy or for last minute changes.

MARCH

3-year-olds

27 THE PETER CLARK HANDICAP, \$15,000 added, 3-year-olds. 1 mile. By subscription of \$50 each to accompany nomination. Bay Meadows. To be run April 3.

27 THE HUTCHISON HANDICAP, \$7,500 added. 3-year-olds. 6 furlongs. Gulfstream Park. To be run March 31.

3-year-olds and up

20 THE BAY MEADOWS HANDICAP, \$25,000 added. 3-year-olds and up. 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ miles. By subscription of \$50 each to accompany nomination. Bay Meadows. To be run March 27.

24 THE WOONSOCKET HANDICAP, \$10,000 added. 3-year-olds and up. 7 furlongs. Lincoln Downs. To be run March 27.

24 THE MAGIC CITY HANDICAP, \$10,000 added. 3-year-olds and up. 6 furlongs (out of chute). Gulfstream Park. To be run March 27.

31 THE FORT LAUDERDALE HANDICAP, \$10,000. 3-year-olds and up. 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ miles. Gulfstream Park. To be run April 3.

31 THE SPRINGFIELD HANDICAP, \$10,000 added. 3-year-olds and up. 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ miles. Lincoln Downs. To be run April 3.

Track Address

BAY MEADOWS—California Jockey Club, Inc., San Mateo, California.

GULFSTREAM PARK—Gulfstream Park Racing Association, Inc. Hallandale, Florida

LINCOLN DOWNS—Burrillville Racing Association, Lincoln, Rhode Island.

BATTLE MORN

B. h., 1948

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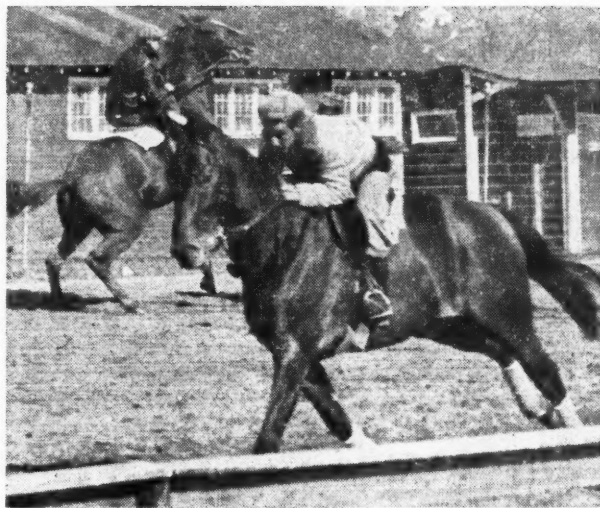
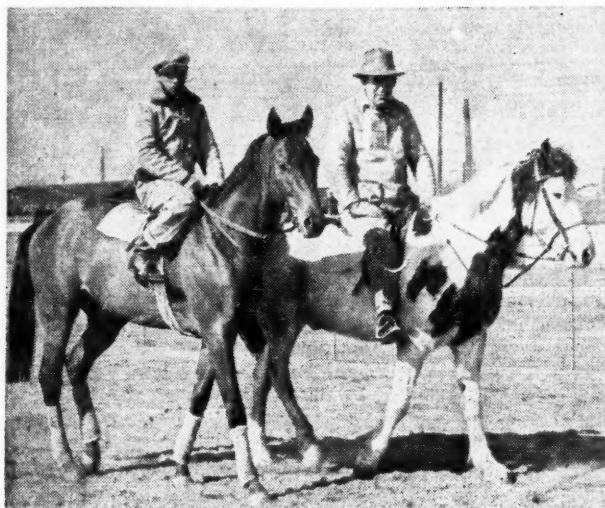
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(Marshall Hawkins Photo)

Trainer T. J. Barry brings Joseph Gavegnano's Errard King onto the track at Columbia, South Carolina for a workout. The bay son of Errard—Darby Dover, by Burgoo King, one of last season's better 2-year-olds could cause his rivals considerable trouble in the rich 3-year-old events ahead.

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and so was not taken too seriously when offered the bettors in the 1 mile Santa Susana Handicap, 2 events after Porterhouse's race.

All four should have won to make this a good story, but they didn't. Porterhouse cut his way boldly into the 3-year-old classic picture with a top performance, winning off to himself by 3 lengths. The big brown colt covered the 6 furlongs under his own initiative in 1:09½, just a fifth off the track mark.

Spring Lark did as Trainer N. Corbin and a host of those at Charles Town expected, as he romped home to an easy 5 lengths victory in the Frederick Purse—while his time was not remarkable his performance was impressive.

Tessa a bay daughter of Shatterproof by "St. Germans did better in the stakes event at Santa Anita than most expected, finishing 5th in a field of 9, although beaten some 6 lengths by the winner. She at least outfinished her higher regarded

stablemate, which wound up next to last.

Not to confuse the issue, The Proff continued in his usual way, bounding home 11th in a field of 11 other 3-year-olds, leaving his record completely unspectacular.

—K. K.

Your Chance To Judge

Nothing flatters a horseman, or a would-be horseman for that matter, any more than being regarded as a judge of horseflesh (even when you know it's hard for you to tell a lightweight hunter from the heavy variety). Very often when called upon for this opinion, ego soars, judgment wanes, while personal preferences invade. However it's a sure thing you will use every argument within your grasp to defend your choice and many weeks pass before you are even willing to drop the subject. But if you should hit the nail on the head and pick the right one—there's nothing can hold you.

Kentmere Farm, Boyce, Virginia had decided to incorporate this "gimmick" into the sales promotion for their Saratoga-bound yearlings. They have had

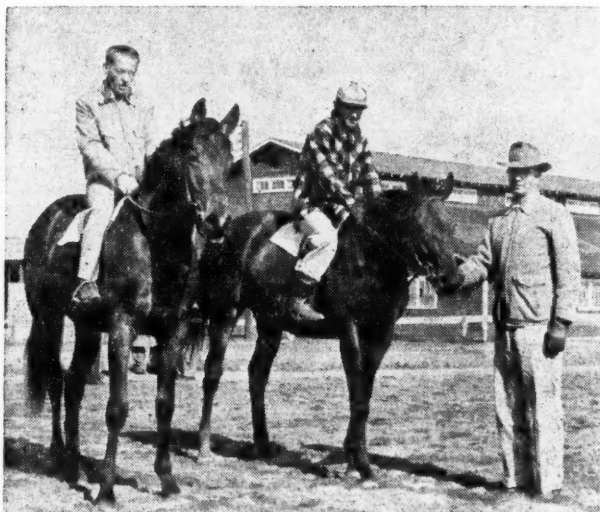
cards made up listing their 6 1954 yearlings and their pedigrees; and on the lower half of the card there is space marked, "My Choices are:", underneath which is "Best Race Horse" and "Best Sales Price", where you list your first and second choices.

These cards will be presented to all who look over this group of top yearlings, so that they may list the one which in their opinion is the best racing prospect and the one which, in their estimation, will bring the most money in the sales ring. The winner to receive a gift from Kentmere for their endeavours. One of the nice things about this contest is that the winner will not be picked, or represent, some other person's opinion, but will be based on the purchase price of the Kentmere yearlings, and on their earning power.

The First Battle Morn

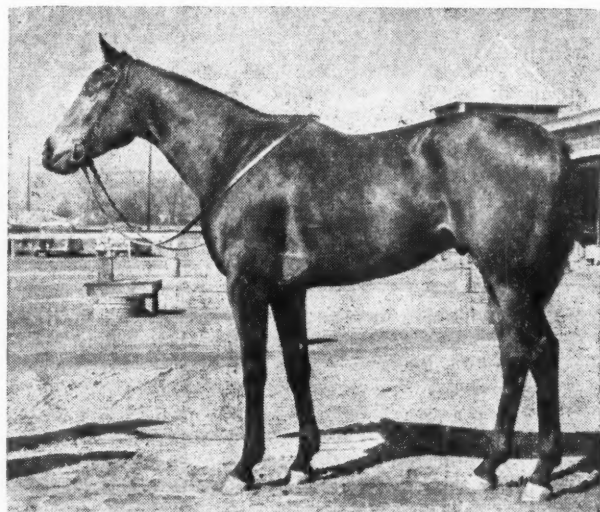
News of the arrival of the first foal by Battle Morn recently reached the North Cliff Farm of Mr. and Mrs. Melville Church II, where the son of *Blen-

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(Marshall Hawkins Photo)

Brockfield Farm's trainer, Ed Kelly, stands at the head of a pair of his charges, Into Glory (Brookfield—Posy, by *Bull Dog) and Impromptu (Pavot—Crystal Maze, by Chance Shot), which are training at the South Carolina course.



(Marshall Hawkins Photo)

King Ranch's High Gun, a 3-year-old brown son of *Heliopolis—Rocket Gun by Brazado, is the main hope of the stable for the 1954 classics ahead. Rocket Gun is a half-sister to Stop Watch, dam of the spectacular handicapper Stymlie.

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heim II—Good Morning, by *Sir Gallahad III holds court. The Battle Morn youngster is out of Flying Vixen, by Rodney—Will Be, by Supremus, and is owned by Mrs. James Bayard of Bohemia Manor, Chesapeake City, Maryland.

A Kitchen Police filly put in an appearance on February 22 at the Rixeyville breeding establishment. This newcomer is out of the imported mare, Asmara, by Stardust—La Li, by *Blenheim II, owned by Gustave Ring. *Asmara has been booked to Sun Again, which stands at Calumet Farm, Lexington, Kentucky. —K. K.

An Alquest

Mr. and Mrs. Ian S. Montgomery of Rappapridge Farm in Warrenton report the arrival of a chestnut filly by Alquest out of their Pilate mare Moorland Belle.

Kentucky-Bound

Mr. and Mrs. Melville Church II send word that they have shipped their mares Angelus Tempo by *Pharamond II—Bel Tempo by High Time and Noticing, by Transmute—Drollery by *Chicle to Kentucky to be bred. Angelus Tempo will visit the court of My Request while Noticing will go to Sun Again.

Booked to Kentucky Sires

Col. Gustav Ring who keeps his mares at North Cliff Farm is sending his Colombo mare *Fichu, dam of Mister Gus, to the court of *Daumier and *Asmara by Stardust—La Li by *Blenheim II to be bred to Sun Again.

Headed South

Paul C. Ellis whose Tattleon Farm is at Keedysville, Md. is shipping his mare Challe O'Mar by Challedon—Gay O'Mar by *Gay Ronald to North Cliff Farm to be bred to Battle Morn.

R. DeMarco of Hyattsville, Md. is also shipping his mare Miss Del Brier by Supremus—*Blue Dust by Gainsborough to North Cliff Farm to visit the court of Knockdown.

Apheim Stables have sent the 3-year-old colt Roco's Fox by Fighting Fox—Roca by Boojum to North Cliff Farm to be rested and turned out.

Brookmeade Arrivals

William Ballenger, manager of Mrs. Isabel Dodge Sloane's Brookmeade Farm at Upperville, reports that on February 3rd Brookmeade Farm's High Quest mare Big Meal produced a bay filly sired by Greek Ship. Elite by Blue Larkspur—Aristocracy by *Bull Dog also owned by Brookmeade Farm foaled a chestnut colt on February 16th to the service of *Alibhai.

Word comes from Brookmeade Farm that More Sun's book is full but a few nominations are still open for services to By Jimminy.

Sending to High Lea

Miss F. Julia Shearer who owns Meander Farm at Locust Dale reports that Sweet Martini by *Pharamond II—Martinique, by Ensign foaled a bay filly on Feb. 24th to the service of Thellusson. The mare will be bred to High Lea.

Miss Shearer also tells us that she intends to breed her mare Grade by *Sir Gallahad III—Gravitate by Rock View to Orestes III. Grade is the dam of the good producer Kindergarten and the grandam of the stakes winner Nursery School, winner of the Hollywood Lassie Stakes and the Golden Poppy Handicap.

First of The Year

From Kentmere Farm at Boyce comes word that the first *Beau Gem foal this

year arrived on February 16th. This foal is a filly out of Mrs. George Kelley's mare Good and Gay by Lovely Night—Ortasi by The Porter. The filly is reported to be doing nicely.

Visitors

Jules Schwartz of New York and Harold Polk of Virginia were recent visitors to Kentmere Farm. While there they looked over the yearlings and saw Kentmere's sire *Beau Gem.

Beau Busher

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Connors, Bolivar, Middleburg, Virginia were quite elated over the victory of their home-bred, Keeneland-sold Beau Busher, in a 2-year old maiden 3-furlongs event at Santa Anita on February 26th. However, the main source of their jubilation is due to the report received from Beau Busher's owner, who fancies the colt as the best

2-year-old in California, an opinion on which his Trainer, T. D. Grimes agrees.

Beau Busher, a son of Mr. Busher—Late Date, by *Hourless was consigned to the 1953 Keeneland Summer Sales and was the first of his sire's get to be sold at the vendue bringing \$18,000 from William Welch. Late Date is already renowned as the dam of the top filly War Date, by War Admiral, stakes winner of 14 races and \$139,755 and producer of the winners Elope, by *Heliopolis, Besiege, by *Blenheim II, and Latent, by Thundering.

In view of the outstanding record of the 25-year-old Late Date, the Connors have reserved a chestnut yearling full sister to Beau Busher for racing in their own colors and then in time retire to their broodmare band. They already have enrolled Elope into the broodmare

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ANNOUNCING

22nd ANNUAL MEETING

CAROLINA CUP RACES

SATURDAY, APRIL 3rd

at

SPRINGDALE COURSE

CAMDEN, SOUTH CAROLINA

1st race 2:00 P. M.

Entries close—Saturday, March 27

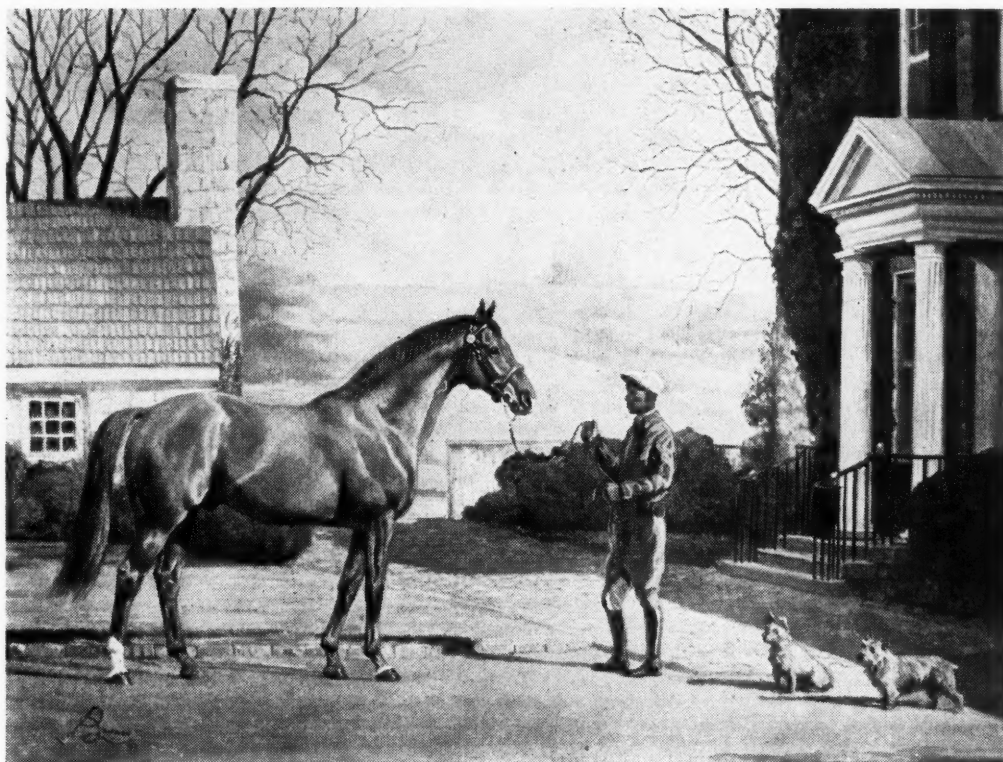
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The Hedges

Camden, South Carolina

★ TENNYSON II



(Painted by Jean Bowman)

*Tennyson II, did not reach the races until his 4th year, due to an injury as a yearling. However, in 7 starts that season, he won 4 events carrying high weights over a distance of ground. He won the Trundle, Worksop Stakes, Claremont Handicap and the Kingswood Plate.

In the rich 1949 Eclipse Stakes, one of England's greatest 1¼ miles races, *Tennyson II, carrying 126 pounds, displayed racing ability of the highest mettle when he ran 2nd to *Djeddah, the great middle distance performer of Europe.

*Tennyson II, conceding weight to every horse but the winner, worked his way forward and took the lead at the halfway mark. However, 3 furlongs from home the heretofore undefeated Faux Tirage took command only to lose

the lead to *Djeddah. *Tennyson II came on again to outrace Faux Tirage as they went under the wire.

It should be noted here that the last mile of the Eclipse course at Sandown Park lies up hill to the finish, and for any horse to be headed and then come again shows a fighting heart, but for *Tennyson II to accomplish this under these conditions shows real racing courage.

Also, to concede weight to this field was no easy assignment, when you consider that in the beaten field were the leading money winning 3-year-old of 1949 and Derby winner Hindostan, the Irish St. Leger winner Moondust, the Coombe stakes victor *Nizami II and Bobo, winner of the Houghton Stakes.

*Tennyson II is a member of the Bruce Lowe mare family number 16, of which the late Colonel John F. Wall, writing in his *Breeding Thoroughbreds*, states, "This is a family of stallions of outstanding prominence. They include the famous brothers *Sir Gallahad III and *Bull Dog, *Bahram, Psychic Bid. Older sires are Sardanapale, Desmond, St. Angelo, *Spanish Prince II, Broomstick, Papyrus, *Bright Knight, *St. Germans and Ormande. Alquest, Plucky Maud, Great Power and Sun Herod . . .".

Pedigree-wise, performance-wise, *Tennyson II offers breeders a chance to breed to a stallion destined for sire success at a fee of only \$250. Fee payable at time of service—refunded on veterinary certificate that mare is not in foal November 1, 1954.

WHITEWOOD FARM

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THE PLAINS, VIRGINIA

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ranks and that mare is now represented by a dark bay yearling colt by Roman and is again in foal to that great sire.

Another member of the broodmare band is Equip, by Equipoise—Thais, by *Sun Briar, which is now in foal to Polynesian.

Shipping Out Five

Tyson Gilpin of Kentmere Farm informs that they are shipping 5 mares to Kentucky this week. They will be bred to such sires as Pavot, Roman, Sun Again and Cosmic Bomb. The mares will be boarded at Carter Thornton's Threave Main Stud.

Booked To Case Ace

Kentmere Farm is also sending their stakes winning and producing mare Damaged Goods to New Jersey this week where she will be bred to Case Ace in hopes of getting another Case Goods.

Visitors

Recent visitors to Virginia were New York Trainer H. Goldberg and New York owner H. Weinstein who trained Count Turf in his last stakes endeavour last year. They were particularly pleased with the chestnut colt sired by Hill Prince out of Mackle who is at Dr. F. A. O'Keefe's Pine Brook Farm.

Right Down

Breeders of the Old Dominion were quite exuberant over the results of the third race at Hialeah on Tuesday March 2. Right Down, a 2-year-old bay gelding sired by the young stallion Knockdown—Right Off, by Tintagel won the race beating Drogheda by 2½ lengths. Right Down, bred by W. Langley and trained



(Hialeah Photo)

Cain Hoy Stable's *Turn-To won the 1½ mile (\$100,000 added) Flamingo Stakes in easy fashion. The victory placed the 3-year-old son of *Royal Charger—Source Sucree, by Admiral Drake, out front in the 1954 Kentucky Derby picture.

by S. Jacobs, is the first foal sired by Knockdown to race, his first crop being 2-year-olds this year. Knockdown is standing at North Cliff Farm at Rixeyville.

Shipping Out

North Cliff Farm advise that they have shipped the Apheim Stable horses Ted's Jeep by Jeep—Tedema by *Teddy and Milanza by Teddy's Comet—*Miliana by Victrix and Col. Gustav Ring's 2-year-old colt Ring Champ by Kitchen Police—*Santa II, by Cameronian who is a half sister to *Alibhai, to Mr. Kay Jensen's Stable at Belmont.

—Nick Saegmuller, Field Secretary

KENTUCKY

Hanger Donates Cook Photo Collection
W. Arnold Hanger has purchased the

Charles Christian Cook collection of racing photographs and donated it to the Keeneland Library.

The collection ranges from the glass plates of 1903 photography to the modern negatives of 1947. Among the features of the as-yet-uncatalogued thousands of pictures are the only surviving action shots of Man o'War and photos of such prominent turf personalities as August Belmont, Jack Keene and John E. Madden.

J. C. "Skeets" Meadors, official photographer at Keeneland, will begin the task of cataloguing the collection as soon as a room has been outfitted with special heat and humidity controls.

Cook was probably the first photographer to take action racing pictures.
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Deep Run Hunt Race Association

Spring Race Meeting — Saturday, April 10th, 1954

Under sanction of the Hunts Committee of The National Steeplechase and Hunt Association

THE BROAD ROCK—Purse \$500—Hurdles. About one mile and a half. For maidens, three-year-olds and upward.

THE STRAWBERRY HILL—Purse \$400. About six furlongs. For maidens, three-year-olds and upward.

THE RICHMOND PLATE—Purse \$800—Hurdles. About one mile and a half. For three-year-olds and upward which have not won two races in 1953-54 other than claiming, hunt meeting or Fair Hill meeting.

THE MALVERN HILL—Purse \$400—About 1 mile and a quarter on the flat. For three-year-olds and upward.

THE DEEP RUN HUNT CUP—Purse \$500—Steeplechase. About three miles over post and rails. For four-year-olds and upward. Purse, plus leg on the challenge trophy presented by Mrs. W. Sharpe Kilmer.

FOX HUNTERS RACE (Heavyweight division). Silver trophy to the winner. For hunters regularly hunted by subscribers to recognized or other hunts in Virginia, acceptable to the Race Committee. To be ridden in hunting attire or racing colors at 185 lbs. minimum. Entries must be certified by the Master of the Hunt as regularly hunted by a subscriber and must be acceptable to the Race Committee. About two miles on the flat. **Not sanctioned.**

FOX HUNTERS RACE (Lightweight division). About two miles on the flat. Same as above except to be ridden at catch weights with no allowances. **Not sanctioned.**

Entries close April 3rd, 1954

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A Chicago druggist, he became interested in photography through stocking camera supplies. He soon concentrated on filming racing. When the sport was outlawed in Illinois in 1904, he moved to New York. He covered racing in the Empire State until his retirement in 1947; and also took his camera to New Orleans, Miami and Havana during the winters.

Mr. Hanger founded the Keeneland Library several years ago with the donation of the Robert Turnbull collection of racing-and-breeding books. It now contains one of the country's finest groups of books and other material on the Thoroughbred sport.

\$100,000-Added Winners on Successive Saturdays

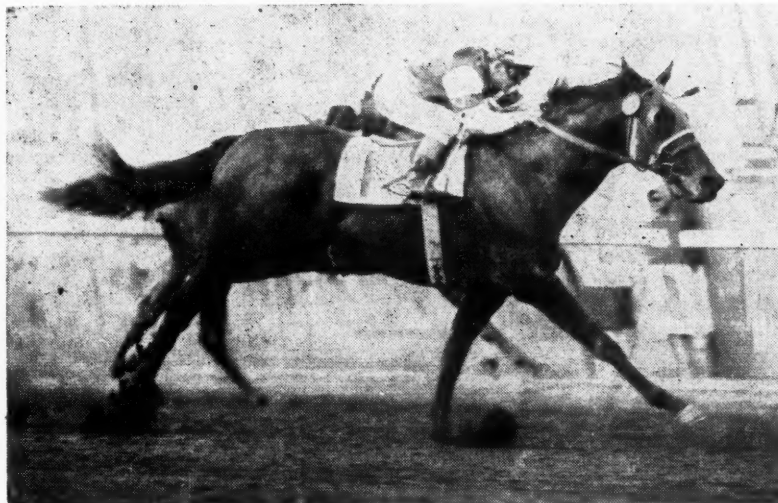
Imported stallions standing at Leslie Combs II's Spendthrift Farm, Lexington, were responsible for the winners of \$100,000-added races on successive Saturdays at opposite ends of the country in the last couple of weeks.

Andrew J. Crevolin's Determine, who prevailed by $3\frac{1}{2}$ lengths in the Santa Anita Derby on February 20, is a son of *Alibhai.

Cain Hoy Stable's *Turn-to, who coped Hialeah's Flamingo Stakes by an identical margin the following week, is a son of *Royal Charger.

New Arrivals

Bay filly by Black Tarquin—Best by Test, by Black Toney; owned by J. F. Flanagan; foaled at A. B. Hancock's Claiborne Farm, Paris. This is a half-sister to the steeplechasers Elkridge, Chesapeake and Cherwell.



(Santa Anita Photo)

King Ranch's Rejected, W. Shoemaker up, defeated A. J. Crevolin's Imbros by a quarter of a length for the \$105,900 (net value) purse of the Santa Anita 'Cap. The 4-year-old brown son of Revoked—By Line, by *Blenheim II, is a King Ranch home-bred.

Bay filly by *Princequillo—Mrs. Ames, by Johnstown; owned by Morven Farm; foaled at Claiborne. This is a half sister to the Suffolk Downs sprint star Pictus. Mrs. Ames, whose own victories included the Fashion, National Stallion and Astoria Stakes, and the Capitol Handicap, returns to *Princequillo.

Bay filly by *Priam II—Tokahnan, by *Teddy; foaled at Henry H. Knight's Almahurst Farm, Lexington. This is a half sister to Magic Words, winner of

the Grand Union Hotel Stakes, New Rochelle and Interborough Handicaps.

Filly by Citation—Armful, by Chance Shot; foaled at Mrs. Gene Markey's Calumet Farm, Lexington. This is a three-quarters sister to Armed, Re-Armed and Lap Full, all of whom are by Citation's sire, Bull Lea.

Colt by Bull Lea—Whirl Some, by Whirlaway; foaled at Calumet. Whirl

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CALL OVER

Ch. h., 1947 by Devil Diver-Duchess Anita, by Count Gallahad

Winner 7 stakes — \$138,220 in Purses.

This sturdy son of the great Devil Diver raced from 1949 through 1952. He made fifty starts, won sixteen races and was in the money thirty times. He won at distances from six furlongs to one and one-eighth miles over fast, slow and muddy tracks.

He won: The \$50,000 Trenton Handicap at Garden State beating Hill Prince, Greek Ship, Palestinian, Inseparable, Post Card and Seaward among others.

He defeated Hyphasis, General Staff, Spartan Valor and Squared Away in the Princeton 'Cap at Garden State—covering 6 furlongs in 1:10, $\frac{2}{5}$ ths of a second off the track record.

He won the Quaker City Handicap at the same track over one and one-sixteenth miles beating Post Card, Inseparable, Oil Capitol and Ferd in 1:42, $\frac{3}{5}$ ths of a second off the track record.

CALL OVER defeated two of the country's top sprinters—Tea-Maker and Royal Governor in the Wilmington 'Cap at Delaware Park. His other stakes triumphs came in the Inaugural 'Cap at Atlantic City; the Rowe Memorial at Bowie and the Savior Mile at Monmouth Park.

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Ro. h., 1949 by First Fiddle—Marsh

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News From the Studs

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Some won the 1947 Selima and Marguerite Stakes.

Colt by Spy Song—Sari Omar, by *Sir Gallahad III; foaled at Royce G. Martin's Woodvale Farm, Lexington. This is a half brother to Fond Embrace and Navy Page.

Filly by Guillotine—Gaymar; foaled at the Nuckols Brothers' Hurstland Farm, Midway. This is the first foal sired by Greentree Stud's Guillotine, who stands at Hurstland. A full brother to Bymeabond and Blue Border, Guillotine is also a half brother, by Bimelech, to Ruddy. The young stallion won the Belmont Futurity, Carter, Fall Highland and Lincoln's Birthday Handicaps, and \$171,085.

Filly by Fair Trial—*Seraphin, by Hyperion; foaled at Mrs. Parker Poe's Shawnee Farm, Harrodsburg. *Seraphin, an English stakes winner imported by Mrs. Poe last summer, goes to Polynesian.

Mulching Planned at Crown Crest

Dean L. "Pat" Patterson, General Manager of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Reineman's Crown Crest, Lexington, reports that he is contemplating mulching the Crown Crest pastures with stable straw this spring, in an effort to protect them from a recurrence of last summer's drought.

War Flower to *Royal Charger

Mildred W. Woolwine, owner of White Oaks Farm, Lexington, has booked War Flower, dam of Ace Admiral, to *Royal Charger. Miss Woolwine's distinguished producer is now in foal to *Noor.

Better Self's First

Snooty, upset victor as a member of the mutual field in the first division of the recent Hialeah Juvenile Stakes, is the first winner and first stakes victor for her sire, Better Self, who stands at Robert J. Kleberg, Jr.'s King Ranch Farm, Lexington.

Bred by the late Colonel E. R. Bradley's Idle Hour Stock Farm Co., Better Self fell to King Ranch's share in the division of the Idle Hour stock after Colonel Bradley's death. The son of Bimelech is the first foal of the Spinaway and Hopeful Stakes captor Bee Mac, who has since produced to Bimelech's cover the Marguerite Stakes winner Mac Bea and the stakes-placed world-record setter Black Douglas. The classy Prophets Thumbs is another offspring of Bee Mac.

Better Self took the East View Stakes, Saratoga Special, Paumonok, Yankee, Discovery, Westchester, All American, Carter, Gallant Fox and Saratoga Handicaps, and \$383,925.

Reilly Dies

Phil Reilly, octogenarian trainer who died recently at his son's home in Minneapolis, was well known in Kentucky. He lived for years within shouting distance of Churchill Downs, and had friends all along "shed row." A trainer for nearly 60 years, he had enjoyed some of his most recent successes while saddling the charges of Clifford Mooers, who used to "walk hots" for him before the owner of Walnut Springs Farm, Lexington, "hit it rich". Mr. Mooers' Old Rockport was probably the best horse Reilly ever conditioned.

Blue Man May Enter Stud

It is understood that White Oak Stable's Blue Man will be retired to stud next season if he does not respond to treatment satisfactorily. The \$277,035 earner by Blue Swords—Poppycock, by Identify, is now turned out at Royce G. Martin's Woodvale Farm, Lexington.

—Frank Talmadge Phelps



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Tax Comment For Horsemen

The Case of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue vs. Marshall Field Sets Important Standard

Donald G. Tripp

Not many horsemen and part-time farmers of today have such extensive interests and investment in their horses and farm activities as did Mr. Marshall Field in the middle twenties but many today have similar perplexing income tax problems in connection with their farm and horse losses. Gains or profits usually present no problem because they are invariably taxable.

The case of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue v. Marshall Field (67 Feb. 2d 867) is important because it sets forth a standard by which many later cases have been judged on the question of whether activities such as horse breeding and racing carried on at a loss are a "business" and deductible on the owner's income tax return.

Marshall Field was a banker. However, in 1923 and subsequent years he devoted considerable time to his farm in New Jersey, where he raised Guernsey cattle, and to his racing and breeding stables both in England and in this country. These enterprises were carried on in a business-like and scientific manner but in the early years resulted in net losses. The 1923 loss was in excess of \$115,000.

The Commissioner of Internal Revenue determined that Mr. Field's farm and horses were merely expensive hobbies and not deductible. The Court disagreed and allowed the deduction against other income. The Court defined a business as "That which occupies the time, attention and labor of men for the purpose of a livelihood or profit", and said further, "Cattle breeding and horse racing projects are old. Some have been profitable; others have not. It is a matter of intention and good faith and all the circumstances in the particular case must be our guide".

Fortunately, the Marshall Field case was followed in many similar situations that came up in later years. The Commissioner of Internal Revenue was slow to accept the decision but in 1939 issued a memorandum to the effect that expenses were deductible if there was a reasonable expectation of deriving a profit. There are, however, several cases where the Court has decided that the activities were as a matter of fact a hobby and not a business, disallowing the losses as deductions.

It was stated in the case of Cooke et al v. Glenn (1948 78 Fed Supp 519) that: "The breeding, raising and training of saddle horses is a recognized industry. The background and early years of Cooke's life as reflected in the record are such as would instill a desire to engage in farming and stock-raising and there is nothing in this record to indicate that this venture was a social diversion or the indulgence of a hobby".

It is conceivable that fox hunting, horse showing, polo playing and numerous other horse activities might qualify as necessary incidental activities to a "business" of horse breeding, training or racing. It would lessen the income tax burden in those years when the horse or farm business was unprofitable. The author knows of no law which prohibits the personal enjoyment of a business as well as a hobby.

Appleton Farm

A new arrival on February 10 at J. T. Skinner's Appleton Farm was a bay filly by More Sun—Mezzotint, by Sweeping Light. Trainer Skinner reports that the filly on his farm near Middleburg, Va. is really a good looking foal. Mezzotint was unraced but she has produced the winners Beach Sun, Wassermatter, Mezzanine and Wanquepin. More Sun, a Brookmeade Farm home-bred by Sun Again—The Damsel, by Flag Pole, won over \$94,000 on the flat. He stood his first season at stud last year at Brookmeade. Mezzotint is among the mares booked to him this year. . . Trainer Skinner's other member of the broodmare band, Pinch, is in foal to *Royal Visitor, the half-brother to *Princequillo which stands at Dr. Fritz Howard's stables near Warrenton, Va. *Royal Visitor's first crop are yearlings this season. —N. L.

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Field Sports



Muskrat and How to Cook Him—a Wholesome and Dainty Food Once Unjust Prejudice is Overcome

Col. F. G. Skinner

Someone may wish to know by what right a rat of any kind should figure in a column of the Times devoted to field sports. We have no explanation or apology to offer, save the honest belief that all wild creatures requiring skill in their capture are entitled to a place there, and more particularly when their flesh can be converted by the cunning of culinary chemistry into wholesome dainty food. And such is pre-eminently the case with the musquash, and it would be so acknowledged by all the world, as it is by the few enlightened epicures, where it is not handicapped with the odious name of rat, to which nasty rodent it is a gross libel to compare it.

We have learned to esteem our native musquash, while we have inherited from our Jacobitish Virginian ancestry a profound detestation of the Hanoverian rat. The first is a lively, industrious, frolicsome, social fellow, and the cleanest feeder of all mammals, man himself not excepted, while the latter is a midnight marauder of filthy ghoul-like habits, who finds his favorite food in human graves.

We will remember the happy accident by which we overcame our unjust prejudice to the musquash. It was many, many years ago in that joyous morning march of life, which now, alas! must soon come to a halt. We were camped in a wilderness, with a half-breed Indian and entirely dependent on our, or rather his, skill in woodcraft for our food. For ourselves we had a blank day. The only deer we saw had "got our wind," and whisked his white flag in defiance a long way out of range. Nor did a squirrel, or even a chipmunk meet our hungry gaze. Long after sundown we were lying disconsolate and famishing before the campfire when our copper-colored companion came in, bearing in his hand a musquash. In reply to a mingled look of inquiry and disgust, he asserted that musquash was "the sweetest and best meat that ever ran on four legs," and then proceeded to dress and cook his game, much to our horror. But presently a pleasant and seductive aroma pervaded the air, which gave increased sharpness to the gnawings of a famished stomach, and our prejudices gradually gave way to the urging of our companion and the pleadings of hunger. The carnivorous instincts were so thoroughly aroused that a fat vegetarian might have been in danger had he been within our reach. Seizing a well-browned hind quarter we made a desperate snap and our sharp incisors—alas! long since worn to stumps—sank deep into the detested flesh of the detested rodent. But oh! ye gods of gastronomy, what a delightful surprise! What a new and delicious sensation! What a grand gastronomic discovery! We ate more than our share of the feast and craved for more, and from that time forth, knife and fork in hand, we have been ready to maintain against all comers that musquash is "the sweetest and best meat that runs on four legs". Since becoming acquainted with the edible excellence of the musquash we have made the history of the creature a special study. With habits very similar to those of his near relative, the beaver, he is not nearly so shy; he does not shun, as does the castor, the near vicinity of man, and may still be found in great numbers in the most populous districts, within the sound of the church bells and the shrill whistle of the locomotive. Where the conformation of the ground will permit, he excavates great tunnels under the banks of ponds or streams, taking care to conceal the entrance beneath the water, and this burrowing propensity makes him a nuisance to the engineer, as it is often destructive to the most costly hydraulic works, such as canal banks, mill-dams and causeways, and in this connection we may state the curious fact that the first great breach of trust on the part of a Federal officer recorded in our history may be clearly traced to muskrats.

There are few of our readers who have not seen the magnificent expanse of marsh extending from Newark to Jersey City on the way to New York. Under Jackson's administration a high Government official in New York conceived the idea of redeeming these marshes from the tidal flow by a system of dikes. The prospect of making an enormous profit in a short time led him on, step by step, until his own fortune and that of his relatives, and finally his honor, was wrecked in the attempt. No dike could be made to withstand the ceaseless industry of the muskrats. It was reserved for a son of Cincinnati to solve the problem of the redemption of the Hackensack marshes. The late Samuel Pike converted a wide surface of those quaking bogs into flat pastures and city lots by the simple expedient of sinking sheet-iron into the dikes, thus making them impervious to the musquash.

On the extensive marshes on which he delights to dwell the muskrat builds himself a comfortable and symmetrical house, where, sheltered from the cold, he passes the winter in social enjoyments with his relatives and their families. Herne tells us

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BRANDYWINE HOUNDS

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C. E. Mather's Brandywine hounds went right out to prove themselves worthy of their Master in his new position as president of the Masters of Foxhounds Association of America. The Saturday following the Masters' dinner in New York, Mr. Mather's hounds met at 1 o'clock in order that he could be home to hunt them. Finding at 3:15, they ran, with only one check, for 1½ hours when the fox went to ground.

The next Monday hounds ran steadily for 4½ hours, never covering the same ground twice and making about an 8-mile point. This was one of the best runs they have had in the past two or three years.

On Wednesday hounds had drawn the first three coverts blank when visiting Master of Mr. Stewart's Cheshire Hounds, Mrs. John B. Hannum III, said that she had viewed a fox in her country on the way to the meet and that she would be happy to have Mr. Mather hunt him. Mr. Mather accepted her kind invitation and quickly roamed his hounds to where Mrs. Hannum had viewed. In a short while Ray Hayes viewed the fox away and this nice big fox gave the Brandywine Hounds another terrific run for 4 hours. On both these runs hounds had to be whipped off due to darkness and distance from the kennels. On Monday they were 12 miles away and on Wednesday, 15 miles away.

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—Bee-Jay

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Hounds have met for the last two years twice a week, Tuesday and Saturday. Starting the 53-54 season off with great optimism on account of drought and hard ground (which compelled us to cancel our hunter trials planned for October 31).

We had exceedingly good luck, with both grays and reds. Prior to that during cubbing season we were a bit discouraged with the number of deer we were jumping, but luck was with us as the season drew near they disappeared. A bounty was on the fox in our territory and we noticed a decline in our find, compelling our meets to be held earlier and longer. We vaccinated all the foxes we could trap against rabies which amounted to the success of a lot of good races. I have been hunting hounds for a long time and I can truthfully say I have never seen a rabid fox or a mad dog. (Sometimes I wonder if the so-called rabid fox hasn't bluffed the killer.) We can account for one red and two greys for our season; not a bad season, just enough to keep the hounds on edge provided you have good runs in between time, which we did.

Since this is a private pack and since we are only registered, there are just three official members—Michael G. March, Oliver Durant II, the Joint-Masters, and Mrs. Robert M. Lister, Secretary—but we do want all landowners, whose farms we hunt over, and their friends to feel that our pack is for their sport as well as ours. They are assured that by the hunt fixture.

Our Field has varied, small, medium, and large and fortunate to say, we have had no mishaps this season. (I was a cropper last year). We have had three joint meets this year with Bull Run, Rappahannock and Hazelmere all accounted for their objective, first the fox then the breakfast both sportingly enjoyed. The three clubs have gone all out to start and encourage the younger set to participate in our hunts. Hazelmere has had as many as six out at a time, which makes us old timers pick up and take notice—or else it's tack or untack.

Our 30 hounds are not all registered but entered in the American Fox Hounds Association with plans of sending 6 more in the near future. It would be nice to have them all registered and a pedigree of each one but what is a piece of paper, when it comes to a good fox hound.

Now that spring weather has opened up for the farmer and a lot of early seeding is being done; the point-to-points getting under way, our season will probably be cut short by two or three weeks and in doing so, we shall reminisce, take off shoes, turn out and brag about our young stock in the making—that is horse, hound and fox—O. D. II, M. F. H.

BOOKS

EVERYTHING ON HUNTING
HORSES, RACING AND POLO
Old and New

SYDNEY R. SMITH
Canaan, New York

The Muskrat and How to Cook Him

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that he saw no more curious or interesting sight during his hyperborean explorations than a large musquash town on the illimitable marshes of Hudson Bay. These houses were countless in number, of a uniform conical shape, and on the top of each was the nest of a wild goose, where, secure from the predacious fox, the goslings were reared in security in friendly fellowship with the young muskrats.

Wishing for precise directions in regard to the manner of capturing and cooking the muskrat, we applied to Mr. John Swan at Oakland. He referred our letter to Mr. E. W. Gallup, a fine specimen of the old-fashioned, hospitable, "tide-water" Marylander, a great duck shooter and sportsman, as well acquainted with the waters and marshes of the Upper Chesapeake Bay as the oldest of the innumerable muskrats who dwell in that sportsman's paradise.

We have before us as we write, two letters from Mr. Gallup, from which we quote verbatim, as follows: "In regard to the muskrat I will give you all the necessary requirements to make him one of the nicest dishes, in my opinion, and also our old friend Dr. Troop's; as you recollect, when we made him eat it on Spesutia Island for terrapin, he concluded that anyone that said that muskrat was no good was a d—d prejudiced fool, which I fully endorse. There are various ways of catching them. The way the Negroes kill most of them is to go in the marshes in the winter and, after stopping up the leads to their houses, they then tear the house down and leave one hole open, so that when they must have air and come to the surface, they either have a dog at the hole or a man with a club or a gig, and kill them. I have known ten or twelve killed in this way from one house. Then they sometimes catch them in box traps with wire doors, and also in dead falls set with a figure 4. I have shot hundreds of them on moonlight nights by tying a white rag on the muzzle of my gun for a sight, and poor old 'Trap' used to dig them out of the banks in the marsh.

"In regard to the cooking you must first skin them, and be careful to take the musk off with the hide; then after washing clean, put him in a pot and parboil until done. Then cut him in a saucepan with water sufficient to make a stew, and to two rats add one onion cut up fine; also a lump of butter the size of a walnut with hull off. Then take some flour and brown it in a pan the color of roast coffee, and add as much as is necessary to the stew; do not make it too thick; it should not be thicker than duck gravy made in the same way. It makes me hungry to think about it."

In reply to a second letter calling for more explicit directions for the removal of the musk, friend Gallup replies as follows:

"Your friend S—'s letter is at hand, and I will try to explain the musk and where to find it. In the first place, in taking the hide off, you do it so as to prepare it for market, and it is done as follows: You take it by one of the hind feet and let some one hold the other foot, then with your knife slit it from the hock joint to the center of the tail; then you take the other foot and split open in the same way; you then cut around the tail and skin the tail down; then cut round the legs at the commencement of the fur. You can then pull down the skin, some one holding the hind legs. The musk is a fatty substance between the hind legs fast to the skin, and will come off with the skin if you pull it off instead of using the knife, and by keeping the skin or flesh side out it prevents the musk from touching any part of the body and leaving the odor. After gutting, should there be any thing between the hind legs that looks like fat, remove it; then put the rest in salt water for three or four hours; then parboil and cook as directed. The season for eating them is from November until April."

Though not in the highest style of culinary art, we can confidently recommend Mr. Gallup's method of cooking the musquash. Mr. S., to whom we are indebted for Mr. Gallup's letters, being a culinary artist of the highest grade—a regular "cordon bleu," in cooking the muskrat discards the saucepan as too primitive, and uses the chafing dish and Madeira or sherry wine.

The musquash is held to be a great delicacy at Port Tobacco, the county seat of Charles County, in Maryland, where they attribute its excellence to the fact that it feeds on the bulbs of the wild celery (valisueria), the same plant which imparts such exquisite flavor to the canvas-back. In the west part of Maryland they prefer frosting the animal after it is cleaned, to soaking in salt water.

We would respectfully suggest that the Cuvier Club inquire into the value of the musquash as a source of food supply, and that Mr. Peter A. White, Counsellor Logan and Dr. Dandridge, be appointed a committee to test practically, and report upon the edible qualities of this much abused rodent.

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On New Year's Day a field of 45, the largest of the season, met at Mr. Hickox'. After drawing the power line and L. I. U. blank and crossing Whitney Lane, hounds jumped a fox in Whitney's old pig pen. This New Year's fox took hounds out west across Guest's through Whitney's woods to the Wheatley Road. Here he remade one more loop around the north side of the Whitney stable and ran in a drain at the southeast corner of Goadby Loew's.

Sat. Jan. 2nd, proved to be an excellent day in the east part of the country. Hounds met at Molly Hamden's. The first covert drawn was Leffingwell's. Hounds jumped a fox that ran west to the Yellow Cote Road where he was viewed and turned by people in cars. Hounds worked the line north along the road for a few hundred yards to where our quarry had crossed into Schiff's but could not carry it further. Having re-crossed 25A hounds started a second fox south of Molly Hamden's. This pilot took us on a fast circling hunt in a right handed loop through the Columbia Stock Farm fields west and then south through Spark's paddock and finally went to ground in the court west of the Columbia Stock Farm, after 25 minutes.

Oeland's woods produced the third fox of the day. At first hounds had difficulty picking out the line in the wind but finally got their fox straightened out. This fox crossed Stillwell Lane and was viewed away by Mike Plumb heading north for Columbia Stock Farm. He ran across the Syosset Cold Spring Harbor Road and was lost just south of Molly Hamden's in high wind in the open fields after a good run of 30 minutes.

Wed. Jan. 6th, was cold—23 degrees—windy, and generally miserable. Hounds met at Mrs. Shatter's and started two foxes, one in Franke's and one in Roditis but could not handle either of them.

Sat., Jan. 9th, was the same story. It was again very cold, this time snow and rain added to the general unpleasantness of the day. Having met at Piping Rock hounds drew Mitchell's, Iselin's and Batterman's blank. The Davison fox was out and ducked across Coe's fields to ground south of the driveway in three minutes apparently feeling that this was not a fit day out for man or fox.

After January 9th, winter closed in with a vengeance and we were not able

to go out again until Wed., Jan. 27th, when the meet was at McDonald's. Only four persons, Mr. Hickox, Mrs. McDonald, Mrs. Long and myself came out but we were treated to one of the best days of the season.

The woods north of Osland's produced the first fox of the day. Hounds pushed him to the Stillwell Lane where he was viewed by Charlie Thomas and Fred Whaley who were following in cars. Our pilot did not cross here, however, but chose to cross further west where he had a straight path to Columbia Stock Farm. Hounds lost south of the Syosset Cold Spring Harbor Road after 25 minutes.

We continued south into Spark's where hounds jumped a brace the first of which was marked to ground west of White Oak Tree Lane while the second continued east and was dunned south of Molly Hamden's.

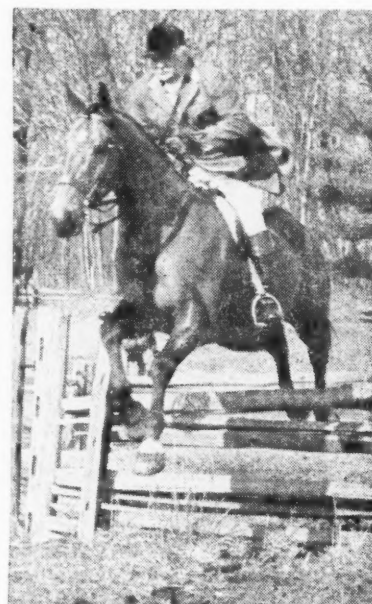
The fourth and best fox of the day was started in Rein's field south of 25A. After a preliminary loop through Leffingwell's woods he was pushed out across the Yellow Cote Road and made a large left handed loop through Pratt's and Schiff's. Having crossed Schiff's paddocks our quarry set out to return to Leffingwell's where he was marked to ground in one hour. Scent was burning and hounds ran with great cry. The pack has been vastly improved by the entry of 1953 consisting of two litters of puppies out of Meadow Brook Argument '48 and Fairfield and Westchester Mistress '47. Of these Meadow Brook Foredeck '53 and Meadow Brook Funnel '53 have particularly distinguished themselves by their voices and their drive.

Sat., Jan. 30th, the meet was at Hickox'. It was cold and miserable and virtually a blank day with the exception of one fox which came out in the Elk Pen but was lost immediately.

When George Hudson arrived at the meet at Davison's on Wed., Feb. 3rd, he announced that he'd viewed a fox in Coe's. We drew in that direction and hounds jumped the fox which ran in two left handed circles through Coe's and Hurley's and was marked to ground south of Coe's driveway after 20 minutes.

A second fox was started in Batterman's. By this time it was raining hard and after 15 minutes with scent failing, only Quansett Panic '47 could hold the line so it was decided to call it a day.

On Sat., Feb. 6th, the meet was at Schiff's. The Schiff fox was viewed in Pratt's field by Mike Plumb. Hounds were brought up and a circling hunt through Schiff's and back to Pratt's field where they lost after 25 minutes. The Leffingwell fox ran across the Oyster



(Budd Photo)

Joint-Master, Charles V. Hickox of the Meadow Brook Hounds, taking a jump during the Feb. 22 fixture.

Bay Cove Road and through the Memorial Cemetery where hounds lost after 15 minutes.

An expedition to Smithtown to Mr. Walter Fletcher's Phantom Farm on Feb. 9th produced a blank day as did Sat., Feb. 13th's meet at Mrs. Shatter's when the temperature was 16 degrees.

Wed., Feb. 17th, however, was a perfect day for hunting. It had rained all the previous night and by noon there was still a slight drizzle and a light mist. Torrance Watkins, our 2nd Whip, was out for the first time since Nov. 1, 1953, at which time she had retired to await the arrival of Lawler Watkins. Thus the scene was set for a perfect day. The first fox was started in Osland's woods. He ran to the Stillwell Lane where hounds checked. They drew the north side of Stillwell Lane and Meadow Brook Artful '48 hit the line. In a moment the entire pack was away flying. They ran east across the Cold Spring Harbor—Woodbury Road now led by Meadow Brook Document '51 and turned north pushing their fox hard along the ridges with great cry that echoed through the valley and over the lakes south of the New York State Fish Hatchery. Unfortunately this fox

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Meadow Brook Hounds

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was too hard pressed and was forced to go to ground in a drain on the Lawrence Hill Road in order to save his brush.

From him we hacked towards Spark's. A fox was jumped in Nichol's field and proceeded to make two large left handed circles past Molly Hamden's, through Spark's and through Columbia Stock Farm. As he went through Nichol's field for the third time he changed his route slightly and made for his earth west of Hamden's and the White Oak Tree Lane. Hounds marked him to ground after an excellent 55 minutes.

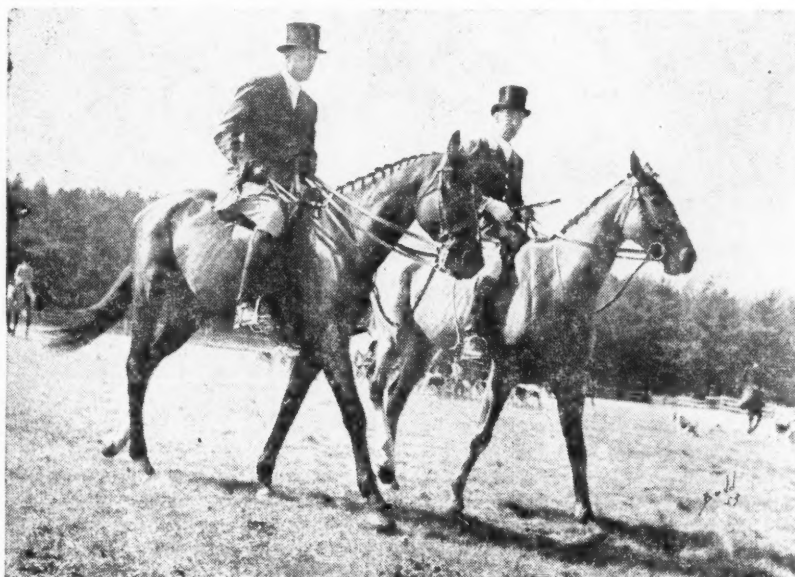
On Sat., Feb. 20th, the meet was at Piping Rock. A brace of foxes was started in Coe's. The first ran in south of Coe's driveway immediately. The second

ed in a large tract of woods between 25A, Gould Road, Pond Path, and the new Sunken Meadow Stake Parkway. Hounds ran one fox in circles in the woods for an hour and ten minutes before they forced their quarry out across the Parkway and had to be whipped off.

A Field of 34 met at the old kennels on Sat., Feb. 27th. Again it was a day that was too nice to hunt and scent was poor. One good fox did get up in Warburg's however, and provided good sport by running out northwest and crossing the Wheatly Road into Hickox. He ran west across Hickox and C. V. Whitney's paddocks and went to ground near Whitney's pump house after 20 minutes.

Thus far we have had a fairly open winter and have had some very good sport which with any sort of luck should continue on through March.

—Cora Cavanagh, Honorary Secretary



(Budd Photo)

John M. Schiff (left) and Francis R. Appleton, Jr. out with the Meadow Brook Hounds (Syosset, L. I., N. Y.)

was viewed away by Jack Spratt. Hounds were brought up and hit the line across a burned off field west of the house and worked it to the Chicken Valley—Oyster Bay Road where they lost.

After drawing Batterman's blank hounds jumped a second brace in Brewster's. The pack split marking one fox to ground in King Zog's. The second ran out south across the Muttontown Road, turned right handed across the Brookville—Jericho Roads and Fruitledge Road, ran through Franke's and was marked to ground in Woodward's after 25 minutes.

On Mon., Feb. 22nd, a Field of 40 met at Mr. Hickox' for the George Washington's Birthday Hunt. It was really too nice a day for fox hunting, clear and warm. After drawing L. I. U., Whitney's, Guest's, Goodyear's, and the Elk Pen blank, however, a good fox got up in Broad Hollow and took the field for a fast 25 minutes south to Underhill's, west across Steven's and Ambrose Clark's paddocks and north through Winthrop's to ground near Winthrop's garage.

On Wed., Feb. 25th, we made a second trip to Smithtown. This time hounds met at Woods Dairy in Stony Brook and we had a somewhat better day than we had had on our previous trip. We hunt-

Friar's Maid Champion At Annual Moore County Hounds Hunter Trials

Sue Randolph

A clear, cool day made the 1954 Moore County Hunter Trials another resounding success. The five classes held at the tricky Scott's Corners hunter course were well filled with local and outside horses and hunts from all over the nation were represented.

It seemed that Vernon Cardy's Vernon Valley Farm and D. W. Winkelman's Lakelawn Farm had a corner on the ribbons as the good chestnut mare Friar's Maid (by Friar Dolan), recently purchased from the Stoneybrook Stables, took home the championship to Vernon Valley. Miss Joan Walsh did the piloting on Friar's Maid as regular trainer "Red" Donaldson had the hard luck to break a knee-cap schooling the day before, a telephone pole the culprit, not a fence.

Friar's Maid was 3rd in the Thoroughbred and 1st in the sensational open class and came back in the championship class. This latter class was led over hill and dale by Joint-M. F. H. W. O. Moss on his good hunter, Unusual, so the judges could select the best field hunter.

Leading steeplechase trainer, Michael G. Walsh, had a leg up on the mare in this event as Joanie and Maureen had other mounts.

Miss Joan Walsh assisted Mr. Cardy with all Vernon Valley horses and rode the 5-year-old Sun Beau gelding, Sun Hazard, to a well deserved blue in the first season hunters class.

The wonderful old campaigner, Times Square, was brought out of retirement by his owner and with Mr. Cardy up, had a perfect trip around the course for a blue in the non-Thoroughbred hunters. That Lakelawn all-around horse, Renown, Ed Daniels up, was 2nd and Mile-Away Farm's three-day-a-week huntsman's horse, Unusual, took a well deserved yellow with Mr. Moss really gunning him!

Joint-Master William J. Brewster's good looking brown team of North Slope (John Goodwin riding), Valley G. (Earl S. Hoy up) and Harry's Last (Curt Dutton in the irons), won the team class hands down. These three top horses are perfectly matched, jump alike and are turned out to perfection.

The quality of entries in all classes was so outstanding that many a winner in Madison Square Garden went home without a ribbon. It was extremely hard to win.

Lakelawn Farm's consistent liver chestnut *Tourist II gelding, Little Trip, made an outstanding trip in Thoroughbred hunters to best a good field. Little Trip is one of the best jumpers out today and is a top hunter. He was green working

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Leonard S. Smith, Jr. Retires as Joint-M. F. H. Of Camargo Hunt

Leonard S. Smith, Jr., for fourteen years Joint-Master of the Camargo Hunt, has retired to the Field. He is succeeded by John H. Clippinger, formerly honorary hunt secretary. O. DeGray Vanderbilt, Jr. continues as Joint-Master and Lucien Wulsin becomes Honorary Secretary. These changes were announced to members following the hunt Saturday, February 20th.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith had invited the Camargo Hunters to tea at their Ambleside farm. Only a few were aware of the surprise announcement to come. When it was made it was received with mixed feelings: sadness at Mr. Smith's retirement and pleasure at Mr. Clippinger's and Mr. Wulsin's appointment.

As Joint-Master Mr. Smith had served the Camargo exceedingly well and before that he had been one of three who organized the hunt in 1925. The other two were Julius Fleischmann and Mr. Vanderbilt. But Mr. Smith is not giving up hunting. He is continuing to take a large financial as well as sporting interest in Camargo Hunt. His only reason for retirement, he said, was an inability to get out with frequent regularity. As for the future: "Who knows," he said, "I may find it possible to do more hunting next year than I have in the past two combined."

In its new Joint-Master Camargo gets a hunting man who has learned fast. Mr. Clippinger started hunting in earnest in 1945, became Honorary Secretary two years later and held that position until elevation to the new post. Since his college days "Clip" has retained the old school spirit which he puts into everything he undertakes whether it is winning a point-to-point or an action at law. Many times in the absence of Mr. Vanderbilt or Mr. Smith, Mr. Clippinger has taken over direction of hounds and Field with distinction. Thus he is prepared to assume his new duties.

Lucien Wulsin is one of the most keen and experienced of Camargo's hunters. He is also a man of proven administrative ability both in hunt matters and in the Baldwin Piano Company which he heads. The Camargo secretariat will be managed by a man who knows how to manage.

Moore County Trials

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hunter champion last year at Piping Rock. Michael Walsh's good race horse, "Journey," was 2nd.

One thing that stood out at the hunter trials was the fact that almost all winners were older horses which were bona-fide hunters, but also had had consistent experience in the show ring. On a trappy course like that at Scott's Corners it is so easy to make a bad jump and be thrown out. It is a real hunter test since the horse must jump big and small fences, go up and down hill, traverse a ravine and be handy enough to do the sharp turns smoothly. Two entries go together and must change position. In the open hunters class, the Aiken, drop jump, jump out of the road, ditch combination fairly takes your breath away but it quickly separates the sheep from the goats and most horses give it their best.

Mrs. W. O. Moss rides her hunting stallion Battlewick (Battlehip—Hotwick, by Campfire) in this class every year. She



(Emerson Humphrey Photo)

Winning hunt team at the annual Southern Pines, N. C. hunter trials—W. J. Brewster's team, being pinned by Mrs. A. W. Moss, of Mt. Kisco, N. Y., (l. to r.): R. Curt Dutton on Harrys Last, Earl Hoy on Valley G., and Jack Goodwin on North Slope.

is the guiding light who every year puts over the hunter trials to benefit hounds.

The championship class was outstanding this season. First and 2nd place winners rode as a field behind the Master as follows: Michael Walsh on Friar's Maid, Billy Tate on Times Square, Cappy Winkelman on Little Trip, Ed Daniels on Renown, Miss Joan Walsh on Sun Hazard and Miss Maureen Walsh on "Journey." M. F. H. Moss and Unusual really took them on a spin, cutting corners, reversing the field, crying "Hold Hard" from an extended gallop and it was a sight to see them boil up that hill into the last fence with the horn blowing all the way!

Hunts represented at the trials were Moore County, Fairfield, Rombout, Metamora, Eglinton, Deep Run, Shakerag,

Myopia and Blue Ridge to name a few off hand.

CORRESPONDENT
SUE RANDOLPH

PLACE: Southern Pines, N. C.
TIME: February 22.

JUDGES: Mr. & Mrs. Charles Dubose.
CH.: Friar's Maid, Vernon Valley Farm.
Res.: Little Trip, Lakelawn Farm.

SUMMARIES

First season hunters—1. Sun Hazard, Vernon Valley Farms; 2. The Vixen, Lakelawn Farms; 3. Moreland Star, Stony Brook Stables.
Thoroughbred hunters—1. Little Trip, Lakelawn Farms; 2. Journey, Stony Brook Stables; 3. Friar's Maid, Vernon Valley Farms.
Non-Thoroughbred hunters—1. Times Square, Vernon Valley Farms; 2. Renown, Lakelawn Farms; 3. Unusual, Mile-Away Farms.
Open hunters—1. Friar's Maid; 2. Renown; 3. Little Trip.
Hunt teams of three—1. W. J. Brewster Stables (Moore County Hunt); 2. Vernon Valley Farms, (Eglinton Hunt).

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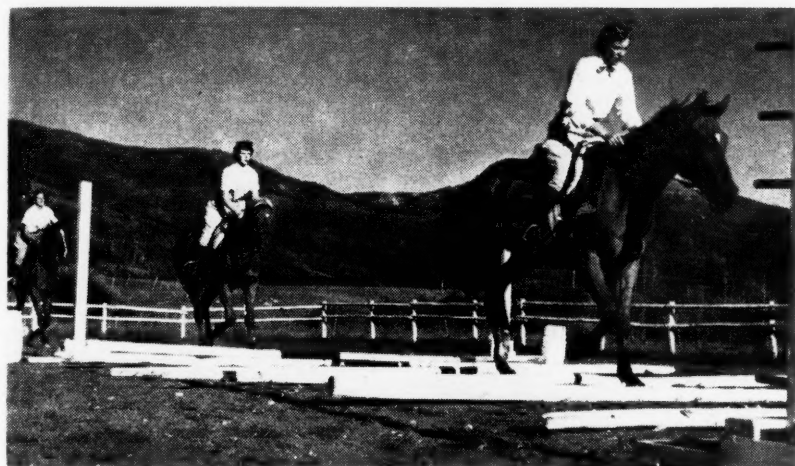


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Janet Moon, Ann Pollard and Betsy Parker at the Perry Mansfield Camps, (Steamboat Springs, Col.), National Rating Center—1953.

The Rating Center For Riding

Committee Realizes a Definite Need For a Set of Common Standards to Guide Pupils and Teachers

Portia Mansfield

Perry-Mansfield Camps in Steamboat Springs, Colorado, under the auspices of the Committee on Riding of the National Section of Girls and Women's Sports, held, last summer, for the first time in the Rocky Mountain area, a center for instruction and rating in riding.

The purpose of the Rating Centers is to set up standards by which riding instructors may be rated. The Committee on Riding realizes a definite need for a set of common standards to guide teachers and pupils. Without the aid of a common guide, teachers vary widely in their objectives and this leads to inconsistencies, confusion, and slower progress for the horse and rider. The instruction includes mounted work, lectures, reading, motion pictures, and discussions, and the schooling of horses. Candidates are asked to observe and criticize each other, to assist in instruction, testing and judging as apprentices. These candidates are judged by the Rating Committee on Riding, who have been accredited by the Women's National Official Rating Committee. The award of a specific rating depends upon grades achieved in the written and practical tests.

The course is intended primarily for teachers of riding and for those who wish to teach in the future. However, a

limited number of able riders who wish to work at an advanced level are admitted.

The teaching and judging staff for the Center included Madge Barclay, Mildred F. Gaines, Katherine Alexander, and Claire Noyes, all local Judges and holders of a Number One Rating. Miss Barclay is also a National Judge.

After the practical and written tests at the end of the week's training, seven of the students, from six different states, received the National Ratings, six of them being Perry-Mansfield riding staff. The sponsorship they have earned should practically assure them of instructorships in schools, colleges, or camps.

The Eastern Judges, and the students agreed it was a highly successful experiment. The students appreciated the thoroughness of the training and personal interest given by the Judges. The Judges noted the outstanding efficiency of these students and their general knowledge of the horse, their ability to catch a horse in pasture, to saddle, bridle, and give first aid if necessary. They complimented the students on their preparation for the course, and their schooling of the western horses for eastern riding and jumping. The Judges proved their open-mindedness and respect for western riding when they enjoyed a sunrise ride,

The Whys Of Showing

Elizabeth Ober

There is no hard and fast rule for conditioning a horse or a pony for a show season. The owner must be guided among other things by its general condition, particularly that of its legs, how it is being fed and the state of the ground. He should start conditioning it several months before the first show or, if less time is available, as much prior to that date as possible. The rules to keep in mind are the following. Work at a walk is of vast benefit and according to veterinarians the only gait at which a horse gains strength and does not loose weight. Trotting him up hills will improve his wind and develop his hindquarters; down hill his shoulders while an occasional gallop will get his wind right and keep him clean inside. Variety in his work will keep him interested and awake so don't always exercise him in the same field, but take him for rides in different surroundings. His feeding too must be balanced according to his work so he will be hard, "round" and fat at the start of the season. Strapping him for at least an hour a day will put bloom on his coat and increase the size and hardness of his muscles. While conditioning and caring for your horse, you too will be getting in condition and on terms with him. A horse and his rider should be partners while competing in a show if they are to put up a good exhibition.

western style, over the beautiful ridges above Yampa Valley.

One of the most important outcomes of the meeting of riders with previous schooling in other different types of horsemanship, was their gaining respect for other than their own special style of riding.

Camps and Schools would make better and more rapid progression in their program by employing instructors who have the same riding aims and standards. Then, if a new instructor is employed, it need not mean a complete breakdown or radical change in the riding program. This means there is less confusion on the pupil's part if she should change camp or school. She may continue under the same principles which she first learned. All of this helps to keep horses from being

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By-Laws of the U. S. Pony Clubs, Inc.

ARTICLE I NAME AND PURPOSES

The name of the corporation shall be **The United States Pony Clubs, Inc.** The purposes of the corporation are to develop and encourage among children throughout the United States a knowledge of horsemanship including the care of horses, to encourage fair and friendly competition, to develop understanding of and sympathy for the horse by its rider, and by these and other means to help to develop in young riders strength of character, alert minds and sound bodies, and to take any and all action which may be considered appropriate to accomplish the foregoing purposes; provided that no part of the receipts of this corporation shall inure to the benefit of any member of the corporation.

ARTICLE II LOCATION

The principal office of the corporation shall be at Room 1036, 53 State Street, in the City of Boston, County of Suffolk and Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The corporation may have such other offices

as the Board of Governors may deem necessary or convenient and such other offices may be discontinued at the pleasure of the Board of Governors.

ARTICLE III MEMBERS

Section 1. Membership

The members shall be the incorporators and such additional persons as shall from time to time be elected by the then members. The Board of Governors or the Executive Committee may elect members up to December 31, 1954 subject to the approval of the members at their annual meeting in 1955.

Section 2. Annual Meeting of Members

The annual meeting of the members shall be held during the month of January at such time and place as the Board of Governors may determine. Written notice of the annual meeting stating the time, place and business to be transacted shall be mailed at least seven days before the meeting to each member at his recorded address on the record book of the corporation. In the event such annual meeting is omitted by over-

sight or otherwise, a subsequent meeting may be held in place thereof and any business transacted or elections held at such meeting shall be valid as if transacted or held at the annual meeting.

Section 3. Special Meetings

Special meetings of the members may be called at any time by the President upon the written request of a majority of the Board of Governors or upon the written request of at least one-tenth of the then members of the corporation. Notice of such special meeting stating the time, place and the business to be transacted shall be sent to each member as hereinbefore provided in the case of annual meetings.

Section 4. Quorum

At any meeting of the members one-third of all the then members present or represented by proxy shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business. Less than a quorum may vote to adjourn. Any business may be transacted at any adjourned meeting which might have been transacted at the meeting originally called.

Section 5. Waiver of Notice

Any notice required to be given to a member by the By-Laws may be waived
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by the member or by his attorney thereunto authorized either before or after the notice was required to have been given provided such waiver is made in writing and filed with the records of the corporation.

Section 6. Vote by Proxy

Each member of the corporation shall be entitled to vote either in person or by written proxy at every meeting of the members of the corporation.

Section 7. Presiding Officer

Meetings of the members shall be presided over by the President, or, if he is not present by a Chairman to be elected at the meeting. The Secretary of the corporation, or, in his absence, an Assistant Secretary, if present, shall act as Secretary of such meetings.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS

Section 1. Offices

The offices of the corporation shall be those of President, Treasurer, Secretary and a Board of Governors of not less than five but not more than thirty-five Governors. The corporation may have an Assistant Treasurer, an Assistant Secretary and such Vice-Presidents and other officers, advisory boards and other committees as may from time to time be appointed by the Governors.

Section 2. How Chosen

(a) **By Members.** The Board of Governors shall be chosen by the members of the corporation. If the number of Governors for any year shall be fixed at less than thirty-five the members may during such year at any meeting called for the purpose increase the number of Governors to not more than thirty-five and may elect additional Governors who shall serve until the next annual meeting.

(b) **By Board of Governors.** The President and all other officers shall be chosen by the Governors.

Section 3. Qualifications

(a) The Treasurer shall give bond in such penal sum as is satisfactory to or required by the Board of Governors, and he may be required to furnish sureties approved by them if they so elect. The Board of Governors may by express vote waive the requirement that the Treasurer give bond.

(b) The offices of President and Treasurer or the Treasurer and Secretary may be held by the same person, but no one person shall hold all three offices of President, Treasurer and Secretary.

Section 4. Terms of Office

Subject to the provisions of this article the officers of the corporation shall hold office for one year and until his successor is chosen and qualified.

Section 5. Removals

The members of the corporation or the Board of Governors may by a majority vote remove at any time any officers or other persons chosen or appointed by them or it respectively.

Section 6. Vacancies

(a) Any officer may resign in writing to take effect from the time of its acceptance by the Board of Governors unless some time be fixed in the resignation and in that case such resignation shall take effect from the time so designated therein.

(b) Any vacancy in any office however occasioned may be filled by the board of Governors for the unexpired term, or in

the case of the Board of Governors until the vacancy is filled by the members of the corporation.

Section 7. President

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Governors and all meetings of the members. The President may execute all bonds, mortgages and contracts requiring the seal of the corporation.

Section 8. Treasurer

(a) The Treasurer shall be the general financial officer. He shall keep full and accurate accounts of receipts and disbursements and shall deposit all moneys and other valuables in the name and to the credit of the corporation in such depositories as may be designated by the Board of Governors, or in the absence of such designation, as he may select.

(b) The Treasurer may execute all bonds, mortgages and contracts requiring the seal of the corporation.

(c) The Treasurer in the absence or disability of the President shall perform the duties and exercise the powers of the President.

Section 9. Secretary

(a) The Secretary shall be sworn and shall keep a true record of all meetings of the members of the corporation and of the meetings of the Board of Governors and of the Executive Committee.

(b) He shall keep such record books, papers and other documents as shall be required by law to be kept in the Secretary's office and which shall be open for inspection by all persons entitled thereto by law. He shall see to the giving and serving of all notices.

(c) He shall perform all other duties pertaining to his office as required.

(d) In the absence of the Secretary, a Secretary Pro Tem may be appointed by the presiding officer and he shall be duly sworn and shall perform the duties of the regular Secretary.

Section 10. Assistant Treasurer, Vice-Presidents and Other Officers

The Assistant Treasurer, Vice-Presidents and other officers shall have such duties and powers as may be assigned to or vested in any of them by the Board of Governors.

ARTICLE V BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Section 1. Powers

The Board of Governors shall have the entire management of the affairs of the corporation and of salaries and compensation of all employees. In the management and control of the property, business and affairs of the corporation the Board of Governors is hereby vested with all the powers possessed by the corporation itself so far as this delegation of authority is not inconsistent with the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the Charter and By-Laws of the corporation. The Board of Governors shall designate and authorize such officers or persons as shall sign all checks, notes, drafts and the similar instruments of the corporation.

Section 2. Meetings

A meeting of the Board of Governors shall be held immediately following the annual meeting of the members, and other regular meetings may be held at such times and places, within or without the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as may be fixed by the Board.

Section 3. Special Meetings of the Board of Governors

Special meetings of the Board of Governors may be held upon the call of the President, or upon the call by the Secretary at the written request of

three or more Governors at such times and places as may be designated.

Section 4. Notice

No notice of a regular meeting shall be requisite to its validity. Notice of special meetings of the Board of Governors shall be given as hereinafter provided, except when notice is waived. Notices may be given orally, in writing or by telegram by the officer calling the meeting to each Governor at least five days prior to the time of the meeting. Notice of the time and place of any meeting of the Governors may be waived either before or after meeting by the written assent of every Governor filed with or entered upon the record of the meeting.

Section 5. Quorum

At any meeting of the Board of Governors one-third of the members of the Board shall constitute a quorum. Less than a quorum may vote, however, to adjourn a meeting from time to time without notice other than announcement at the meeting until a quorum shall attend. The act of a majority of the Governors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board of Governors.

Section 6. Polling by Mail

Any officer or any member of the Board of Governors may submit one or
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more questions in writing to the Secretary, who shall thereupon mail said question or questions to the members of the Board of Governors and any action approved by mail by a majority of the Board of Governors shall constitute a duly adopted resolution of the Board of Governors.

Section 7. Executive Committee

The Board of Governors shall appoint an Executive Committee from the members of the Board, consisting of not less than three or more than nine members. The Board of Governors shall have authority at any time to remove any member from the Executive Committee and to appoint additional members. During the intervals between meetings of the Governors the Executive Committee shall possess and may exercise under the control and direction of the Governors all of the powers of the Governors in the management and control of the business of the corporation. All action taken by the Executive Committee shall be reported to the Governors at their meeting thereafter and shall be subject to revision or rescission by the Governors, provided, however, the rights of third parties shall not be affected by any such action of the Governors. Three members of the Executive Committee or a majority, whichever is less, shall constitute a quorum.

Section 8. Insignia

The Board of Governors shall adopt an insignia for a button which shall be supplied to the member clubs for distribution to their individual members upon payment of their initiation fees. The Board of Governors shall adopt appropriate rules for the distribution of buttons.

ARTICLE VI MEMBER CLUBS

The Board of Governors shall recognize, as affiliated Member Clubs, local Pony Clubs which conform to such regulations and requirements as shall from time to time be adopted by the Board of Governors, and which shall pay such initiation fees and any such annual fees as may be required by resolutions of the Board of Governors. A club so recognized shall be described as a "Member Club of the United States Pony Clubs, Inc." The Board of Governors shall arrange to furnish to Member Clubs literature, insignia and other appropriate material and shall advise and assist in the activities of Member Clubs in such manner and to such extent as is deemed appropriate to accomplish the purposes for which The United States Pony Clubs, Inc. was organized. The Board of Governors may withdraw recognition from any Member Club which does not conform with the regulations and requirements adopted by said Board. The Member Clubs shall not be considered as "members" of The United States Pony Clubs, Inc. within the meaning of Article III of the By-Laws and shall not be entitled to vote at meetings of members.

ARTICLE VII FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year shall end on December 31.

ARTICLE VIII AGREEMENT OF ASSOCIATION

The provisions of the Agreement of Association as they from time to time are a part of the By-Laws.

ARTICLE IX SEAL

The seal of the corporation shall be in circular form and shall have inscribed thereon, "The United States Pony Clubs, Inc., Massachusetts 1954".

ARTICLE X AMENDMENTS

The By-Laws may be amended, added to, altered or repealed at any meeting of the members or at any meeting of the Board of Governors by the vote of a majority of the members or of the Governors as the case may be, present or represented at such meeting, provided that notice of the proposed amendment, addition, alteration or repeal is given in the notice of said meeting.

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Rating Center

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upset or becoming unsafe. A tried and true example of this in another sport would be the American Red Cross Water Safety Program. To some extent it is true in regard to riding, as every year several camp and school directors write to the NSGWS Riding Committee, asking for a list of rated riders so that they may continue with the same type of riding program they have had in previous years.

Rating Centers in Riding are held in different parts of the country, and are open to all those interested in all phases of the teaching of this activity. Listings of the Centers and the dates may be obtained by writing to Mrs. Beatrice T. Campbell, Chairman, NSGWS Riding Committee, Box 774, Lexington, Virginia.

The meeting together of riding instructors is interesting and stimulating. New ideas can be discussed and differences of opinion. Usually there is general agreement on the basic principles of good horsemanship.

The Perry-Mansfield Camps have been selected by the Committee on Riding to hold a second Rating Center this coming summer. The dates have been tentatively set for August 27 through September 2nd. For information write: Portia Mansfield, 15 West 67th St, New York City. After June 1, Steamboat Springs, Colorado.

British Ponies Safe Conveyance for Many Young Foxhunters

As usual, the school holidays brought a great influx of ponies into the hunting field. They vary from those which can keep their riders well in sight of hounds to what may be termed the administrative tail of small, shaggy animals led by parents and bearing Nimrods of the tender years. Each year the question poses itself more distinctly. Whence do they come?

Geographically, the answer is easy to give. Wild ponies run free and live hard on the bleak moorlands of western Britain from Scotland down to Devon. Rough country is not only the pony's ancestral home, but the source of what the horseman knows as "pony character." A true pony is much more than a bantam horse, and there is a more important difference between them than that of size.

By fending for themselves when young in bleak sometimes dangerous country, ponies develop a self-reliance, sense of direction, and sureness of foot which make them good companions as well as safe conveyances, for the young. The horse does not share these qualities to the same extent because its forebears have been domesticated too long.

Through hundreds of generations every decision has been made for the horse by man... where it would eat, and what; where it would go, and when. The process has left the horse without power of self-determination and so dependent on a stronger will that it gives way to unreasoned fear when left to decide its movements for itself. Even in his own day the Psalmist noted that the horse without bit and bridle "hath no understanding."

A horse which suspects that its rider is not completely master of its destiny becomes uncontrollable through fear rather than rebellion, but is none the less dangerous for that. The pony, wise through inherited independence and, perhaps, early years of experience without the all-providing, all-controlling hand of man, views life with a sturdy common sense and an absence of neurosis.

The annual roundups in the New Forest, Dartmoor, Exmoor and Wales provide

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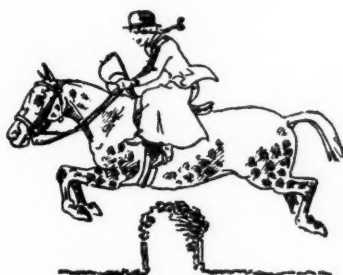
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Horse Shows

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Three Day Team Trials

Olympic Equestrian Games Committee's Plans Announced For Selection Of Horses And Riders

Brig. Gen. F. W. Boye

The Olympic Equestrian Games Committee announced its plans for 1954 to hold Three Day Team Trials through means of which there will be selected and approved a squad of riders and horses from which a team will be selected to represent the United States in that event in the Pan American Games scheduled for March, 1955 in Mexico City. Final selection of three riders for the team will be made in February, 1955.

These preliminary trials will be held under the auspices of the U. S. Equestrian Team, Inc. as follows:

Three Day Team Trials

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The Three Day Horse event will be held in conjunction with the Third Annual "Horse Sense" Tournament presented by the Nashville-Tennessean in Percy Warner Park in Nashville on September, 4-5-6, 1954. Chairman of this joint enterprise is the well known sportsman, J. Mason Houghland, president, The Volunteer State Horsemen's Association.

This event, which is national in character and represents the greatest in equine sporting tests, demands the utmost in the quality, training and condition of the horse. The site selected is superb. While only amateur riders of both sexes over 18 years of age are eligible to compete as team candidates, the event will be open to all riders whether professional or amateur. Invitations will be extended to the Canadian and Mexican Teams to compete which indicates an international atmosphere for the Trials.

The U. S. Equestrian Team, Inc. announced that money prizes for amateur contestants in the amount of twenty-two hundred dollars will be awarded to the owners of horses placing in the first ten places. The prize money is designed not only as an encouragement to owners

to enter their best horses but also as a means to assist riders to help defray shipping expenses. Amateur riders and horses ridden by them must, of course, establish the fact of their eligibility for the team if selected later for participation in the Pan American Games. Separate prize money will be established for professionals.

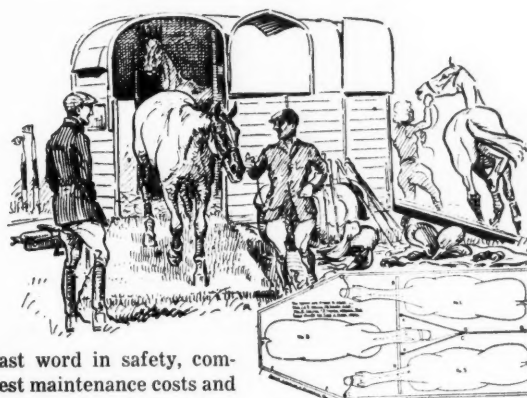
The Federation Equestre Internationale (FEI) at its recent meeting in Brussels approved women to ride in all events in

International Shows for the year 1954. Previous approval had been given for their participation in the Prix des Nations Jumping and in dressage competition in future Olympic Games. It is anticipated that this approval will be extended to the Three Day competition for the 1954 Pan American Games and the 1956 Olympic Games.

The success of our young American riders in the XV Olympiad in Helsinki gives encouragement to our junior riders of both sexes. It will be recalled that the combined ages of our three riders and three horses competing in the Three Day Event totaled only eighty years. All good riders in the hunting field, in steeplechasing or in the horse show ring, possessing the courage and determination to tackle a most challenging course, are encouraged to try for this team. This event is known in Europe as the "complete test" which represents the utmost in equestrian sportsmanship.

The Nashville test will approximate the full requirements of the Olympic course. The rider, with the same horse throughout the event, undergoes a test of training on the first day. This is simple dressage which requires collected, ordinary, and extended movements at each gait. The halt, back, turn on the haunches, two track, and false gallop will most likely be required. The second day (endurance phase) will require a 2-mile steeplechase, a 5-mile cross country involving some 34 obstacles met in the hunting field, and about 14 miles of rated courses over roads and trails interspersed. While part of this is on a basis where speed is rewarded, the entire 22 miles is to be accomplished in the space of two hours. The third day will involve stadium jumping over a

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Three Day Team

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course of 12 to 14 jumps not exceeding 3'-11" "in height with appropriate spread including one water jump not to exceed 11'-0". This final day has largely for its purpose test-demonstration that the horse retains the capacity to continue in service after the severe effort of the previous day.

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Following these trials and the selection by the Olympic Equestrian Games Committee of a six rider squad, horses and riders will either be returned to their homes or the horses will be held together to be continued in training. In January, 1955 the Pan American Team will be assembled for combined training under competent coaches until final team selection is approved by the Olympic Equestrian Games Committee. Shipment of United States Team will be made by rail, air and/or motor to Mexico City for the games which test the prowess of athletes from North, Central and South America in March, 1955.

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The big winner of the day was Ronnie Catalano, copping the Bergh Trophy, the open horsemanship class, and on John Collins' El Foxo, the working hunter event. The open horsemanship especially was a hard fought battle between Ronnie and Miss Barbara Bemelmans. Finally after the judges used almost all the

tricks in the book, the nod was given to Ronnie with Barbara a close runner-up.

In the less advanced groups on the flat and over jumps, the Kadel sisters (Marie and Alma) and Bonnie Bell were found consistently on top.

SHOW CORRESPONDENT MICHAEL PAGE

PLACE: Bronxville, N. Y.

TIME: February 21.

JUDGES: Miss Kay Tremper & Victor Hugo-Vidal, Jr.

SUMMARIES

Horsemanship, beginners—1. Pat Rattenni; 2. Carol Ann Capabianco; 3. Eileen Monk; 4. Marylin Fairfax.

Horsemanship (walk, trot)—1. Alma Kadel; 2. Marie Cooksey; 3. Susan Daniels; 4. Linda Harris; 5. Michael Karp; 6. Katherine Scalzo.

Horsemanship (walk, trot, canter)—1. Marie Kadel; 2. Bonnie Bell; 3. Eleanor Goldberg; 4. Lynn Wier; 5. Kay Gumbennie; 6. Susan Shaller.

Pair class (walk, trot)—1. Marie Cooksey, Alma Kadel; 2. L. Winters, K. Dongerstein; 3. Jackie Morgan, A. Cramer; 4. Susan Daniels, Katherine Scalzo.

Pair class (walk, trot, canter)—1. Barbara Bemelmans, Cynthia Stone; 2. Marie Kadel, Mary Ann Kraus; 3. Ralph Rodman, Dorothy Spaulding; 4. Pat Arcuni, Wendy Wright.

Beginners horsemanship over jumps—1. Bonnie Bell; 2. Linda Roberts; 3. Marie Kadel; 4. Ralph Rodman; 5. Eleanor Goldberg; 6. Barbara Roberts.

Hack class—1. Beau Jack, Cynthia Stone; 2. Sea Cliff, Saddle Tree Farms; 3. Tangette, Saddle Tree Farms; 4. Candlestick, Herbert Wiesenthal.

Bergh trophy class (ASPCA)—1. Ronnie Catalano; 2. Wendy Wright; 3. Pat Arcuni; 4. Barbara Bemelmans; 5. Marie Kadel; 6. Ralph Rodman.

Open horsemanship—1. Ronnie Catalano; 2. Barbara Bemelmans; 3. Wendy Wright; 4. Pat Arcuni; 5. Marie Kadel; 6. Ralph Rodman.

Hunter hack—1. Peter Pan, Wendy Wright; 2. Mint Julep, Barbara Bemelmans; 3. Beau Jack; 4. Golden Cloud, Ralph Rodman.

Working hunter—1. El Foxo, John Collins; 2. Beau Jack; 3. Candlestick; 4. Could Be, Pat Arcuni.

Open jumping—1. Redwood, Phil Ragonetti; 2. Peter Pan; 3. El Foxo; 4. Candlestick.

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Canadian Horse Shows Assn. Awards Annual Achievement Certificates

Broadview

The winners of Zone Achievement Awards of the Canadian Horse Shows Association in 1953 turned out in greater number in Ontario, Zone II. Because this zone is the most active horse show province, this was natural. Achievement certificates were awarded to 14 divisions in Ontario.

Certificates were awarded to the following:

SUMMARIES

Quebec—Zone I

Conformation hunter—Revlon's Love That Red, C. T. Thomas.
Working hunter—Floating Power, H. J. O'Connell.
Jumper—Revlon's Princess Midas, C. T. Thomas.
Equitation—Lillian Stein.

Ontario—Zone II

Conformation hunter—Rocket, G. T. Gayford.
Green hunter—Home Sign, Dr. & Mrs. J. B. Chassels.
Working hunter—Rocket, G. T. Gayford.
Jumper—Black Velvet, Charles Armstrong.
Equitation (14 to 16)—Alice Scott.
Equitation (14 & under)—Andre Poulin.

Manitoba, Saskatchewan & Alberta—Zone III

Hunter—Crystal Cortes, Edith Rodie.
Jumper—Colonel White, C. C. Cross.
Equitation—Mary Ann Cheatham, Judy Hunter, Sandra Young, Robert Herron.

Nova Scotia, New Brunswick & Prince Edward Island—Zone IV

Hunter—Shannon Girl, Hugh M. O'Byrne.
Jumper—Killarney Girl, Hugh M. O'Byrne.
Equitation—Jean Maxner.

British Columbia—Zone V

Hunter—Folly, Mrs. C. C. Carpenter.
Jumper—Gamelin, D. B. Carley.
Equitation—Heather Barnes.

Eglinton Hunt Schooling

The second of the monthly schooling shows put on by the Eglinton Hunt certainly had more pleasant weather. It was perishingly cold for the first show.

The events are identical for each show with awards for the most points in each event to be made after the last of the series on March 20th. Half the events are for green horses; to bring on green horses being one of the foremost reasons for these shows. Some of these green horses are not strictly new comers as the Canadian green ruling is a little broader than the American one,



C. T. Thomas' Revlon's Princess Midas, winner of the jumper award in Zone I of the Canadian Horse Shows Assn. (l. to r.): Miss Shirley Thomas, Mrs. Hubert Stein, and "Scotty" Sellers.

but not all Canadian shows offer a green division and so green horses do not have as many opportunities to show.

Sifton Stable's Royal Coquette won the green hunter hack as at the first show. She is a prime example of the Sifton's breeding program of French coach on Thoroughbred mares—lovely manners and a floating, effortless trot.

W. Joseph Edwards won the green conformation hunter with Storm's Flame over the Sifton mare, Highland Lass. The green working event went to Sure View, owned by Brian Herbinson and Sam Stanley's Mischievous topped the green jumper event.

Indecretion was the most successful horse of the day. She won the open working hunter for owner Harold Shannon with Tom Gayford up; jumped off to defeat Jim Elder's Red Top in open jumpers and placed 2nd to Dr. J. B. Chassels' Home Sign in open conformation hunters.

SHOW CORRESPONDENT BROADVIEW

PLACE: Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
TIME: February 20.

JUDGES: Mrs. D. G. Rockwell, Robb Hollingsworth.
Jr. Judge: Heather McLean.

SUMMARIES

Green hunter hack—1. Royal Coquette, Sifton Stable; 2. Moonshine, Tom Gayford; 3. Seaquarry, L. C. Scott; 4. Pandora, J. C. Cakebread.

Green conformation hunter—1. Storm's Flame, W. Joseph Edwards; 2. Highland Lass, Sifton Stable; 3. Moonshine; 4. Kandaragh, O. D. Robinson.

Open working hunter—1. Indecretion, H. S. Shannon; 2. Red Top, Jim Elder; 3. Rocket, G. T. Gayford; 4. Moonshine.

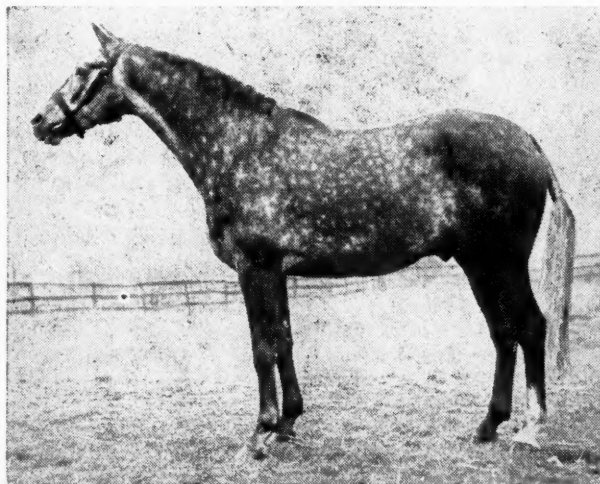
Open conformation hunter—1. Home Sign, Dr. J. B. Chassels; 2. Indecretion; 3. Sure View, Brian Herbinson; 4. Moonshine.

Green jumper—1. Mischievous, Sam Stanley; 2. Storm's Star, W. Joseph Edwards; 3. Storm's Flame; 4. C-Me, Yellowknife Farm.

Pleasure hack—1. Red Top; 2. Honest Lawyer, Alice Scott; 3. Rocket; 4. Kandaragh.

Green working hunter—1. Sure View; 2. Irish Twist, Dick Day; 3. Merry-Go-Round, Mr. Evelyn; 4. Pandora.

Open jumper—1. Indecretion; 2. Red Top; 3. Stormy Weather, W. Joseph Edwards; 4. Blythe Spirit, David Conacner.



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Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Chassels' Home Sign, got the nod in the green hunter division of Zone II of the Canadian Horse Shows Assn.



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Black Velvet, owned by Charles Armstrong's ABC Farms, and ridden by Lorne Siegle, took the jumper honors of Zone II.

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POLO NEWS



Phoenix Switches To Indoor-Outdoor Polo And Opens New Arena

Dear Sir:

If it is not too soon after the recent article by Willard Porter on the new Tucson arena, perhaps you will unscramble the following random remarks about the Phoenix switch to indoor-outdoor polo, since the only polo in the state is in those two cities, and we would like to get into the act too. I am sending separately a picture which was taken when we opened our new arena February 7 against the Tucson club.

To repeat a few points in the Tucson article, outdoor polo has been going from bad to worse in Arizona due to a number of local reasons. Some four years ago, I started the Paradise Valley Polo Club here, which joined the U. S. Polo Association primarily to give national ratings to boys from Judson School who planned to continue on in the game. We never succeeded in attracting enough adult players nor did we interest spectators. The Tucson situation was similar, and after some discussion last summer among members of each club, and after talking and playing in California with some of the indoor-outdoor players there, we decided that the salvation of

the game in this state would have to be arena polo. Jack Goodman went ahead on his own in Tucson, and in Phoenix I interested a small group of present and former players in underwriting an arena on the grounds of the Arizona Horse Lovers Club, which already had a show ring and outside hunter course, stables, clubhouse and last but definitely not least, a group of juniors interested in learning the game.

We already believe that we really have something, for in each city we have had more former players come out of the boondocks, and have attracted more beginners, than we were able to get for the outdoor game in years of struggle. It is too soon to tell about the spectator reaction, because with rough edges in both places we have not felt that we should advertise the games to any great extent or charge the public until we are ready to put on a good show. To date, we have had the series in Tucson already described in your article, and

two games here, February 6 against the University of Arizona Polo Club (which we won, 10-4) and February 7 against the Pima County Polo Club (which we lost, 6-4). Feb. 13-14 a team representing the above Arizona Horse Lovers Club played in Palm Springs, Cal., losing 10-9 and 12-9. We play our inter-city matches on the flat, and played on handicap in California. Palm Springs is scheduled to come to Phoenix March 13-14, going on to play in Tucson March 17 and March 20-21. Stanford University will play informal games mounted on our ponies in both cities the week of March 21 en route to play New Mexico Military Institute in Roswell, N. M., and we plan to have the latter team come to Arizona in April. In April also, Tucson and Phoenix will play for the Day Cup, emblematic of the state championship. Which will be sufficient competition for our first season.

Sincerely,

L. F. Brigham

Ivan Poutiatine Scores 8 Goals in Yale's 12-10 Victory over Alumni

Ann Braun

The Yale varsity polo team swallowed up a 5-1 Alumni lead in a roaring second-chukker drive, climaxed by Ivan Poutiatine's tally after the bell, and went on to a 12-10 victory in the Yale Armory on February 20.

The big Blue needed one period to settle down, then poured on the heat in the second and third chukkers to build up their own four-goal margin at the end of three periods.

Frank Butterworth, president of the Yale Polo Association, put his team into an early lead with a quick goal 30 seconds after the opening whistle. Lev Miller of Westbury, L. I., hero of Yale's

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The Phoenix Polo team in action against Tucson on opening day for their new arena.

Yale Polo

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9-8 victory over Cornell in the 1953 Intercollegiate finals, tallied twice to make it 3-0. Doug Barclay of Pulaski, N. Y., scored the only Eli goal in the last minutes of the period.

At the start of the second chukker, Miller again pushed through two consecutive goals to put the Alumni ahead 5-1, but Poutiatine, Yale's senior back from Loudenville, N. Y., pounded four tallies through the Alumni defense. A goal by Yale captain Mal Wallop, of Big Horn, Wyo., and another by Butterworth, completed the 6-6 halftime total.

In the third chukker, Yale jumped to a 10-6 lead on three goals by Poutiatine and another by Joe Williams, sophomore regular from Camden, S. C. The Alumni lost all their force before the onslaught, and singles by Miller and Butterworth, the latter on a foul shot, made up their only scoring in that period. Tallies by Williams and Poutiatine gave Yale a substantial 12-8 margin at the close of the third chukker.

One goal each by Butterworth and Miller constituted the only fourth-period scoring, narrowing the final margin to two goals.

High man for the afternoon was Poutiatine, who sparked the Elis throughout the game and totaled eight goals. Miller, whose on-the-spot action and talented stickwork brought several appreciative roars from the capacity crowd, had six goals to his credit.

The summary:

- Yale**
1. Mal Wallop
2. Doug Barclay
Back Ivan Poutiatine

- Alumni**
1. Bill Stone
2. Frank Butterworth
3. Lev Miller

Alternates: Yale—Joe Williams.
Alumni—Larry Smith.

Scoring: Yale—Poutiatine 8, Williams 2, Barclay, Wallop.
Alumni—Miller 6, Butterworth 4.

Score by periods:

Yale—1 5 6 0—12

Alumni—3 3 2 2—10

Referee: C. W. Kellogg.

Huntington Scores 15-11 Victory to Capture '54 Sherman Mem. Trophy

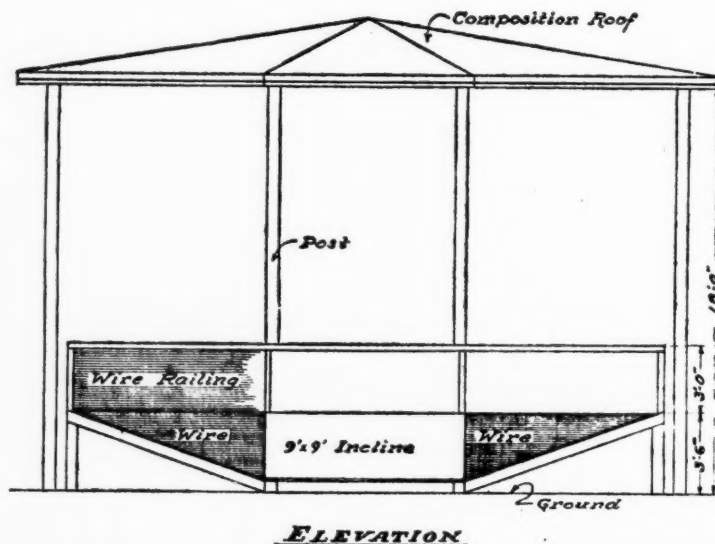
Bill Briordy

In a keenly waged match that saw the winner break away for five goals in the fourth chukker, the Huntington (L. I.) Polo Club captured the 1954 George C. Sherman Memorial Trophy handicap tournament by turning back the New Haven Blues, 15-11, in the final of the fifteenth tournament at the Squadron A Armory on Sunday afternoon, Feb. 28.

Huntington, riding with Ray Koch, Vincent Rizzo and Joe Rizzo, made the most of a three-goal allowance at the start in turning back the Blues, headed by George C. Sherman, Jr., president of the Indoor Polo Association of America.

Leading by 8-6 at intermission, Huntington was all even with the Blues at the end of three periods. Two markers hit by Sherman in the third and another by Mal Wallop, member of Yale's current polo squad, knotted the count at 10-all entering the last chapter.

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Polo Practice Cage

Dear Sir:

Some of your polo playing subscribers may be interested in a drawing of a practical but inexpensive practice cage. We built this one in '26 without blue print then we had several requests for dimensions and the diagram was made from the cage.

We found that a player had to first learn the "shots" and this was simpler in the cage where one could concentrate on shot making without handling the pony.

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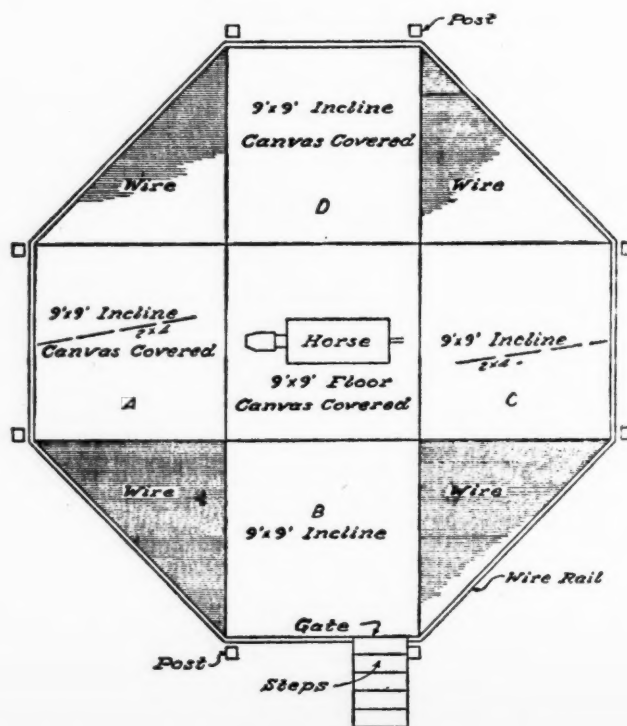
A pommel pad attached to the neck of the horse just forward of the withers we found helpful.

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Yours very truly,

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Producing Record of Influential Brood Mare Of 2nd Quarter Century

*La Troienne, the most influential brood mare in the second quarter of this century, was humanely destroyed at Greentree Stud, Inc., Lexington.

The daughter of *Teddy was a half sister to three French stakes winners, including the French Oaks victor Adargatis, dam of *Adaris.

A foal of 1926, *La Troienne made four starts at two and three; but failed to place.

The late Colonel E. R. Bradley imported her in 1931 for matron duty at his Idle Hour Stock Farm, Lexington. Her first foal, however, was so tiny that Colonel Bradley ordered it destroyed and booked the mare to his biggest stallion, Black Toney. The result was another small foal, but this filly raced to fame under the name of Black Helen.

*La Troienne's complete producing record: 1932—Black Helen, by Black Toney. 15 wins at two and three, including Florida and American Derbies, Coaching Club American Oaks and Maryland Handicaps. Dam of six winners. Grandam of stakes winners But Why Not, Oedipus, Renew and Open Show.

1934—Biologist, by Bubbling Over. Three wins at two and three, including Albany Handicap.

1935—Baby League, by Bubbling Over. One win at two. Dam of stakes winners Busher, Mr. Busher and Striking and of four other winners. Grandam of stakes winner Carolos.

1936—Big Hurry, by Black Toney. Four wins at two and three, including Selima Stakes. Dam of stakes winners Be Fearless, Bridal Flower and The Admiral; of stakes-placed Great Captain; and of four other winners. Grandam of stakes winner Isasmoothie.

1937—Bimelech, by Black Toney. 11 wins at two, three and four, including Saratoga Special, Belmont and Pimlico Futurities, Hopeful, Blue Grass, Derby Trial, Preakness and Belmont Stakes. Earned \$248,745. Sire of stakes winners Alfoxie, Be Faithful, Better Self, Bimlette, Blue Border, Bradley, Brookfield Burning Dream, Bymeabond, Guillotine, Hilarious, MacBee, Oats, River Jordan, Sir Bim and Torch of War.

1938—Big Event, by Blue Larkspur. Two wins at two, also second in Selima Stakes. Dam of stakes winner Hall of Fame and of two other winners.

1939—Businesslike, by Blue Larkspur. Unplaced in two starts at two. Dam of stakes winners Busanda and Auditing, of stakes-placed Bradentown and His Duchess, and of three other winners.

1940—Besieged, by Balladier. One win at three. Dam of stakes winner Make Tracks (in England).

1941—Broke Even, by Blue Larkspur. 11 wins at three, four and five, also third in Bunker Hill Handicap. Sire of stakes winner Van Crosby.

1942—Back Yard, by Balladier. Unplaced.

1944—Bee Ann Mac, by Blue Larkspur. Two wins at two, including Selima Stakes. Producer.

1945—Belle Histoire, by Blue Larkspur. Two wins at two.

1947—Bell of Troy, by Blue Larkspur. Unplaced.

1948—Trojan War, by Shut Out. Two wins at three.

In summary, *La Troienne produced 14 named foals. Five of them won stakes, two others placed in stakes, four more won, one raced unplaced and two never started. They earned a collective total

of \$433,350. Moreover, two of her sons have sired a total of 17 stakes winners; and through her daughters she is the ancestress of 16 others.

Greentree got *La Troienne in the 1946 division of the Idle Hour stock.

The great mare was buried near the stallion paddock of her son Bimelech. A memorial stone will be placed on her grave. F. T. P.

University of Virginia Shows a Surprise Drive, Almost Upsetting Yale

Ann Braun

The fired-up University of Virginia Cavaliers came close to scoring a major upset over Yale in the intercollegiate quarter-finals on February 28, but could not sustain the surprise drive, and ultimately dropped a 14-8 decision before an overflow Prom-Weekend crowd at the Yale Armory.

Defeated by Yale earlier in the season by overwhelming scores of 20-5 and 28-5, the determined Virginia trio leaped out in front at the start with three goals by Don Hannah of Hinsdale, Ill., brother of Jim Hannah, Yale's 1953 captain, and retained the lead throughout the first half. Yale went ahead for the first time seconds before the half-time gong sounded and the Cavalier attack began to fizzle.

Ronnie Mutch of Darien, Conn., a member of the 1953 United States Olympic Equestrian team, played his first intercollegiate polo game as a surprise starter for Virginia at the forward position, and aided the Cavalier cause with two goals in the early stages of the game. Hannah captained Virginia from the pivot position and played his usual bang-up game, totaling five goals. In spite of a blow in the face from a mallet that dehorned him in the first chukker, Hannah retained his uncanny ability to be in the right place at the right time to stymie Eli efforts. Malarky Wall was at back for Virginia.

Yale captain Mal Wallop of Big Horn, Wyo., celebrated his birthday with eight goals from the No. 1 spot to equal the total Virginia output. Doug Barclay of Pulaski, N. Y., started at No. 2, followed by Joe Williams, of Camden, S. C., who scored three times, once in each of the last three periods. Two tallies by back Ivan Poutiatine of Loudenville, N. Y., and a pony goal completed the Eli total.

The score was knotted by Yale four times in the first half before a tally by Williams at the end of the second period put the Elis into the lead. Hannah equalized it again at 8-8 midway through the third period, but goals by Poutiatine and Williams gave Yale a 10-8 lead at the end of that chukker. Wallop's three goals and another by Williams in the fourth period clinched the victory.

The summary:

- Yale
1. Mal Wallop
2. Doug Barclay
Back Ivan Poutiatine
Virginia

1. Ronnie Mutch
2. Don Hannah
3. Malarky Wall
Yale substitute—Joe Williams.
Scoring: Yale—Wallop 8, Williams 3, Poutiatine 2, pony.
Virginia—Hannah 5, Mutch 2, pony.
Total by periods:
Yale—3 4 3 4—14
Virginia—4 2 2 0—8
Referee: C. W. Kellogg.

Huntington Polo

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It appeared that New Haven might pull out the match when Wallop "walloped" one off the backboard to give his side an 11-10 advantage. But the determined Huntington side was not to be denied.

Vince Rizzo, high man of the game with seven goals, raced right back to make it 11-11 and then Koch sent home a long drive to give Huntington a lead it never relinquished. Joe Rizzo made it 13-11 and then Koch and Vince Rizzo each counted again to complete the scoring.

Sherman, a former Yale star, had Peter Packard, member of the Elis' squad last year, at back. Sherman stroked five goals, while Wallop and Packard made three apiece. Koch had three goals for Huntington and Joe Rizzo two.

At the conclusion of the match, the Sherman trophy was presented to the winners by Mrs. George C. Sherman, Jr. who was escorted into the ring by Walter B. Devereux, executive vice president of the indoor polo body and president of the National Horse Show. The Huntington (Conn.) Polo Club was the 1953 Sherman winner.

In the first game of the Feb. 28 program, Al Parsells, nine-goal ace, rapped eight goals to lead a Squadron A trio to a 12-9 victory over the Winged Foot Polo Club. Behind by 6-5 at intermission, Squadron A came up with seven goals in the last half to get the verdict. Parsells, who is leading the scorers at Squadron A with 68 goals this campaign, rode with Phil Brady and George Haas.

Herb Pennell, who hit four straight goals in the first period, paced the Winged Foot side with seven tallies. His teammates were Bill Rand and Arthur Mason.

In the Sherman semi-finals at Squadron A on Feb. 25, Peter Packard and George Sherman led the way with eight and seven goals, respectively as the New Haven Blues halted New York, 17-9, to gain the final, while Huntington topped the Turtles, 7-5.

SEEING IS BELIEVING!

Connemara ponies are said to come to hand quickly and to jump like stags. Well we saw Jockey William Carter taking off time from his racing duties and getting in a little hunting with Orange County. He was out on a Connemara pony broken a scant six weeks ago and not a full three years old until June. The pony was as quiet as a lamb, had lovely manners and jumped everything in the country. Seeing is Believing!

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Rappahannock Pt.-to-Pt.

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and Star Salome 4th. The order was the same as they came back into sight after jumping the 4th and also remained the same over the 5th. At the 7th Mr. Felvey was over 1st on Big Time but Star Salome and Old Crow were gaining ground and jumped as a pair with Conjure Ghost and Flurry Knox also pairing up. Downhill and uphill toward the 8th, Mr. Taylor sent Old Fashioned to the top and as the field came into sight after the 9th, Old Fashioned still showed the way ahead of Star Salome, Big Time and Old Crow.

Old Fashioned led by some 15 lengths over the aiken with Star Salome 2nd and Mr. Rochester now 3rd on Conjure Ghost and Old Crow 4th, Big Time now having dropped back to 5th. In the stretch drive Old Fashioned was in the first flight by himself with Star Salome placing, Conjure Ghost showing and Old Crow handling the 4th position ahead of Flurry Knox and Big Time. Some 50 lengths back of the second flight came Scotch Wave and Chummy.

The last race on the card was the junior event for riders who have not reached their 18th birthday. The five starters were to make one trip over the point-to-point course, jumping the aiken twice. It was certainly interesting to note that for once the ladies were outnumbered. This is by no means a reflection on the members of the weaker sex who have done such a top job in riding—but it was encouraging to see three young men among the starters.

Mr. Russell Walther headed the field over the 1st jump on Oliver Durant, II's Odd Sox, followed by Mr. J. T. Sinclair on Miss Penny Sinclair's Betty Lou, Mr. John Fisher on D. W. Patterson's Tamer, Miss Amanda Mackay-Smith on her Banner and Miss Phyllis Mills on her Joy. Back into sight, the order was the same with the exception of Joy which was now running 4th. Over the chicken coop Odd Sox jumped ahead of Tamer but upon landing, Mr. Fisher sent the chestnut Tamer into the lead. At the aiken it was still Tamer in front with Betty Lou now 2nd, Odd Sox 3rd, Joy 4th and Banner 5th.

The junior riders made a strong finish in the stretch but young Mr. Fisher was not to be caught on Tamer. Tamer came on to win with Betty Lou 2nd, Joy 3rd, Odd Sox 4th and Banner 5th. Mr. Fisher joined up with Maryland riders Laddie Murray and Mike Smithwick in a hasty ride by car from Green Spring Valley and these timber riders accounted for 2 races and 2 seconds.

No outing at Rappahannock would be complete without a hound race. It was hard to tell how many hounds were on hand because after the go signal, some were still coupled. They were quickly uncoupled and several managed to catch the pack before the first jump. In this event the patrol judges get an opportunity to do a little schooling after watching everyone else having a go during the afternoon. Although a few declined the honor, the greater number made up the "field" during the hound race. The finish was watched from the hilltop so the official result was not obtained. However, it was a good race as hounds were still running as the last cars left the grounds.

SUMMARIES

FARMERS RACE, abt. 1½ mi., flat, (cow ponies). Race for Rappahannock farmers, immediate family, or farmhand. Catch weights.
1. Birdie, (T. Eastham), S. McGee.
2. Mag. (J. W. Ritiver), W. Leake.
3 started, 2 finished; also ran (saddle slipped near finish): M. Cheatham's Etta, Reuben Smoot. No scratches.

BATTLE RUN, abt. 3 mi., closed race for gentlemen. 175 lbs. Trophy. Winner: b.g. (7) by Gerald-Lady Louise, by Ormondale. Breeder: Audley Farm.
1. Redmond, (Over-the-Hill Farm), Mr. F. L. DeVecchia.
2. Sea Trouble, (Morton W. Smith), Mr. M. Smithwick.
3 started, 2 finished; also ran: pulled up (after refusing 9th): Leon T. Greenaway's Dr. Ober, Mr. L. T. Greenaway.
Scratched: Gold Baron, Jenny Wren.

MOUNT SALEM, abt. 2½ mi., ladies. Catch weights. Trophy. Winner: Breeding unknown.
1. Bones, (Miss Jean Blackwell), Miss Jean Blackwell.
2. Clifton's Dixie, (Joseph Mulford), Miss Sally Roszel.
3. McDowell, (Mrs. John Burke), Mrs. John Burke.
3 started; also ran (order of finish): Capt. J. L. B. Bentley's Gillian, Mrs. R. H. Rogers; Miss Anne Harris' Woodlark, Miss Anne Harris. No scratches.

MOUNT MARSHALL, abt. 3 mi., open race for gentlemen. Minimum weight 175 lbs. Winner: Breeding unknown.
1. In The Clouds, (Mrs. Norman K. Toerge), Mr. L. Murray.
2. Poichinela II, (Mrs. Jack Skinner), Mr. M. Smithwick.
3. Fauquier Flag, (Louis Neilson), Mr. L. Neilson.
9 started, 6 finished; also ran (order of finish): Andrew Bartenstein's Dormouse, Mr. A. Bartenstein; Henry Loomis' Jono, Mr. H. Loomis; J. Mallory Nash's Brunle Bay, Mr. J. M. Nash; lost rider (approaching 10th): Cyrus Manierre, Jr.'s Uncle Pierre, Mr. C. Manierre, Jr.; fell (8th): Capt. J. L. B. Bentley's Standown, Mr. R. Dart; fell (8th): Mrs. John Burke's Peace Theater, Mr. C. Jelke. Scratched: Star Salome, Apt Scholar, Big Time.

RAPPAHANNOCK BOWL, abt. 3 mi., closed race for gentlemen. Minimum weight 200 lbs. Winner: b.c. (9) by Sir Walter-War Bob, by On Watch.
1. Warsir, (Miss Mildred B. Fletcher), Mr. J. W. Fletcher.
2. Jenny Wren, (W. G. Eastham), Mr. W. G. Eastham.
4 started, 2 finished; also ran: lost rider (10th): F. M. Lewis' War Eagle, Mr. F. M. Lewis; pulled up (after refusing 8th): W. F. Moffett, Jr.'s Little Caesar, Mr. W. F. Moffett, Jr. Scratched: Woodsman.

BEN VENUE, abt. 3 mi., open race for gentlemen. Minimum weight 200 lbs. Winner: b.g. (6) by "Reading 2nd-Hoop Skirt, by War.
1. Old Fashioned, (T. E. Taylor), Mr. T. E. Taylor.
2. Star Salome, (Dr. J. W. Rogers), Dr. J. W. Rogers.
3. Conjure Ghost, (W. L. Rochester, Jr.), Mr. W. L. Rochester, Jr.
8 started & finished; also ran (order of finish): Reginald Vickers' Old Crow (formerly run as Hitchhiker), Mr. R. Vickers; Col. John E. Rossell, Jr.'s Flurry Knox, Col. J. E. Rossell, Jr.; George Cole Scott's Big Time, Mr. S. Felvey; Mrs. Simon T. Patterson's Scotch Wave, Mr. R. Dole; Peter Winants' Chummy, Mr. P. Winants. Scratched: Minnie, Dr. Ober, Moon Spring.

JUNIOR RACE, abt. 2 mi., open to riders who have not reached their 18th birthday. Catch weights. Horses or ponies.
1. Tamer, (D. W. Patterson), Mr. J. Fisher.
2. Betty Lou, (Penny Sinclair), Mr. J. T. Sinclair.
3. Joy, (Phyllis Mills), Miss Phyllis Mills.
5 started & finished; also ran (order of finish): Oliver Durant, II's Odd Sox, Mr. R. Walther; Amanda Mackay-Smith's Banner, Miss Amanda Mackay-Smith. No scratches.

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MARCH

- 13-Tryon Hounds Hunter Trials, Tryon, N. C.
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APRIL

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- 3-Glenmore Hunt Hunter Trials, Staunton, Va.
- 4-Smithtown Hunt Hunter Trials, Smithtown, L. I.
- 4-Shakerag Hounds Hunter Trials, Atlanta, Ga.
- 10-Radnor Hunt Hunter Trials & Pt.-to-Pt., White Horse, Pa.
- 10-Meadow Brook Hounds Hunter Trials, Syoset, L. I.
- 11-Arapahoe Hunt Hunter Trials, Littleton, Colo.
- 17-Sedgefield Hunt Hunter Trials & Hunt Ball, Sedgefield, N. C.
- 17-Jr. Beaufort Hunt Hunter Trials, Harrisburg, Pa.
- 24-25-Rocky Fork Headley Hunt Races & Hunter Trials, Gahanna, Ohio.
- 25-Whitelands Hunt Hunter Trials, Whitford, Pa.
- 25-Valley Forge Farm Hunter Trials, Valley Forge, Pa.

SEPTEMBER

- 26-Horsemanship Club Hunter Trials, Hudson, Canada.

OCTOBER

- 24-Genesee Valley Hunter Trials, Avon, N. Y.

Point-to-Points

MARCH

- 6-Rappahannock Hunt Pt.-to-Pt., Washington, Va.
- 13-Blue Ridge Hunt Pt.-to-Pt., Berryville, Va.
- 20-Warrenton Hunt Old-Fashioned Pt.-to-Pt., Warrenton, Va.
- 27-Iroquois Hunt Club Pt.-to-Pt., Lexington, Ky.
- 27-Piedmont Pt.-to-Pt., Upperville, Va.
- 27-Mr. Stewart's Cheshire Foxhounds Pt.-to-Pt., Unionville, Pa.
- 27-Green Spring Valley Old-Fashioned Pt.-to-Pt., Glyndon, Md.

APRIL

- 3-Camargo Hunt Pt.-to-Pt., Montgomery, Ohio.
- 3-Brandywine Hills Annual Pt.-to-Pt., West Chester, Pa.
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and sold to Crevolin for \$5,100 at the Keeneland Sales of 1952.

Hialeah

There was a tip going around Hialeah on February 11 to the effect that Shawmut Stable's **Gainsboro Girl** was in hot form and should win the seventh. She ran sixth. The information was badly timed. Whoever put out the release should have held it until March 1, when the **Black Helen Handicap** was run. That date, henceforth, shall be remembered as Gainsboro Girl Day (or Pay-Off-The Mortgage Day) to those who were rash enough to try to get even next out.

Gainsboro Girl beat a field of fancy fillies and mares and paid \$98.90 for \$2.

The daughter of *Bernborough—*Chantress, by Hyperion, was close up from the start, moved through to the lead going down the backstretch and was four lengths on top heading for home. Lavender Hill was cutting down the margin rapidly through the straight, but had almost the length of a horse to go when she ran out of distance. Emardee was third and Winning Stride fourth.

The purse was worth \$23,600 and gives Gainsboro Girl a \$25,100 total for 1954. She has won 2 of 5 starts. Last year she won 2 and was third in 2 of 19 tries. She earned \$4,955.

The Shawmut Stable, trained by W. D. Carroll, is the racing appellation of Mrs. Richard Jenks of Providence, R. I.

Gainsboro Girl was bred by Miss M. W. Woolwine. A. Catalano had the mount in the Black Helen. *Chantress is the dam of Sea O'Erin and Saggy.

Hialeah closed up shop for the year, on March 3, after nine races which included the **Hialeah Turf Handicap**, a \$50,000 piece of business that netted Brookmeade \$46,900 and backers of **Picador** \$32.40 per minimum wagering unit.

The older brother to Capeador (Bull Lea—Bonnet Ann, by Blue Larkspur) went the mile and one-half in 2:28 4/5, which equaled the American grass mark for the distance. The figure fell three days later at Santa Anita as mentioned above.

*Royal Vale, which set the Hialeah mark, one year before, to the day, finished second to Picador, beaten 2 1/2 lengths, but carrying 20 more pounds.

Parnassus was third and Mackville fourth.

The race was Picador's all the way. The seven-year-old gelding took the lead and, smartly rated by Hedley Woodhouse, coasted along on the front end, and retained his advantage through the stretch.

Mackville and Combat Boots followed at a safe distance but tired and *Royal Vale and Parnassus swept through to get second and third money.

Picador had been second three times at Hialeah—all grass races—and third at Tropical once this season, but hadn't won since he took the Bougainvillea in 1952. He finished second in that race this year.

The Turf Handicap was his fifth race this year. The purse brings his season's earnings to \$54,200.

Brookmeade bred Picador and, of course, Preston M. Burch trains him.

Gulfstream Park

The last mutuels ticket hadn't been torn up on opening day, March 4, when Jimmy Donn, main proprietor of Gulfstream announced that it looked like a record meeting. It seemed a keen de-

duction with the opening day crowd numbering 23,385, and the trading in Totalisator coupons soaring to \$1,942,969.

The play on the six-furlong **Armed Handicap**—\$262,422—was almost as exciting as the running.

Warless jumped out on top, but was second at the quarter, ninth at the half and continued to lose position to finish twelfth. Tidewater, the favorite, was in front at the quarter but was second at the half, ninth at the stretch call. He completely petered out and dropped to the bottom.

Ruthred, which, with Roaming had been goading Tidewater along, shot out into the lead with about three-quarters to go, and this one stayed. Though the closing rush of Hi Billee made it a near thing, Ruthred hung on to eke out a nose decision.

Easy Paddy and Stop Gap were three lengths farther back noses apart.

The winner, a six-year-old horse by Some Chance, out of Neddie's daughter, Little Shock, received \$8,300 for his good run. It was his fourth consecutive victory in 8 starts this year. He was third twice, and shows 1954 earnings of \$18,725.

Last season he started 29 times and finished 4 times in each of the three top positions. His earnings amounted to \$16,132.

Twice in February and once in January, Mrs. C. Silvers, his owner, risked Ruthred in claiming races. He could have been taken for \$12,000.

The horse was bred by R. M. Young and A. T. Simmons. He is trained by T. W. Kelley, and Sammy Boulmetis rode him in the Armed.

The **Appleton Handicap**, on March 6, was one of those hard-to-figure races. The shortest price was 4.75 to 1 and two horses, Charfran Stable's Brown Booter and D. J. Schneider's Elixir, closed at that figure. Count Cain, Wise Margin, Very Special and Ruhe all drew play.

Dr. Stanley won—with a \$22.40 mutuel.

As he is by Crowfoot, it follows that the light bay colt was bred by Jim Norris, operates in that gentleman's Spring Hill Stable and is trained by John B. Partridge. No one else seems to have any Crowfoots (or should it be Crowfeet?). Dr. Stanley's dam is Breaking Point, by Danger Point.

He ran a swift, game mile and one-eighth. Snatching the lead from Very Special early in the proceedings, he duelled most of the way with Count Cain. Displaced in the stretch, he came again and drew out to have an advantage of 1 1/4 lengths over Count Cain at the end. Wise Margin finished 2 1/2 lengths astern of Count Cain and Ruhe was another two lengths back in fourth place. Woodhouse rode the winner.

The race, worth \$11,500 to the winning stable, brought Dr. Stanley's '54 record to: Starts—5, wins—1, seconds—2, thirds—0, earnings—\$13,500. Last year it was 2 wins, 3 seconds and 5 thirds in 25 tries, and a money total of \$16,800.

The **Bull Lea Purse**, a special no-betting race on the day of the Appleton, gave **Duc de Fer** the opportunity to extend his unblemished record to 5 wins in 5 starts. It was at seven furlongs, the biggest distance he has essayed.

Four length behind Duc de Fer came Sam Brook. Oclirock was third, and last eight lengths behind the place horse.

The prize was worth \$2,500 and brings the earnings of the son of Spy Song—Lady Waterloo, by *Quatre Bras II, to \$22,375. His only stakes victory was in the William Penn at Garden State in May of 1953. He beat Hasty Road in an

allowance race at Hialeah on February 15.

Bred and owned by J. W. Rogers, the brown three-year-old colt is trained by E. S. Bromfield. Logan Batchelor has ridden him in all his races.

Fair Grounds

Another longshot captured a winter feature when T. P. Morgan's **Grover B.** was first to the wire in the **New Orleans Handicap**, March 6.

Top Brass stepped into the lead, over a muddy track, with First Aid, one half of the Brookmeade entry, and Grover B. following closely. Going around the first turn Grover B. went into the lead and opened up in the backstretch. Bending for home, he was three lengths to the good, but Smoke Screen, winner of the New Orleans last year, was beginning to move up and appeared a serious threat. He gained some but not enough; Grover B. still was two lengths ahead at the wire. Brookmeade's Capeador, winner of the Letellier Handicap, a week previous was 4 1/2 lengths behind Smoke Screen, in third place, and Royal Bay Gem was fourth.

Grover B. paid \$51.40 for \$2 in the pari-mutuels. He had started three times before in 1954 and seemed to get progressively worse. He was third in an allowance race, ninth in an overnight handicap and tenth in the Letellier. He has a reputation for being a good mudder and got the footing he wanted.

The winner's share of \$47,000, practically represents his season's earnings as the five-year-old gelding had but \$350 to go with it.

Last year the son of Blue Swords—Charwoman, by Discovery, earned \$34,474, through 5 wins and 2 seconds in 14 starts.

He was bred by his owner and trained by J. D. Bailey. P. J. Bailey was the rider.

Addenda

Lori-Jane winner of the Hot Springs Handicap at Oaklawn on February 27, earned \$3,125. The race was the filly's first 1954 start.

Capeador, which won the A. B. Letellier Handicap at the Fair Grounds, February 27, earned \$14,350 in the effort. The gelding's 1954 record now stands 3 starts, 2 wins, 1 second and earnings of \$52,000.

Erratum

Reading this department two weeks back, you might have gotten the mistaken impression that Landlocked's total earnings amount to \$194,000. This is understandable, because that's what was written. The figure did not include earnings during the gelding's juvenile season. That year he raced 7 times, was first twice, second once and collected \$27,250 for Mr. James Cox Brady, his owner.



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In the Country



SOUTHERN CLIMATE

Something is happening every week in the Sandhills section of Pinehurst and Southern Pines to entertain the resort visitors and make it possible to ready young horses for the spring show circuit. The big Mid-South Show has been cancelled this year due to the recent deaths of Louis Meyer, Fred C. McBride and Col. George P. Hawes, all three of whom devoted so much of their time toward the success of the show. A schedule of events has been planned, however, which have included Sunday shows at Mrs. Mary Doyle's stable on the Harold Collins estate, a Valentine Day's show at Vernon Valley Farm and a show on February 28 at Starland Farm of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Tate. Other shows are being scheduled and with the race meeting on March 20 and the harness horse racing getting underway on April 4, it promises to be quite a busy season for horsemen. —Sue Randolph

REGULARS

Regulars with the Montpelier Hunt this past season have been Mr. Harry T. Peters, Mr. and Mrs. Virginius Shackelford, Jr., Mr. Joseph Mercer, Mr. John Woodruff, Mrs. Wallace Whittaker, Mr. Taylor Grasty, Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton Somerville, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rich, Mr. Donald Worth and Delmar Twyman. During the holidays Mr. Erik Erickson, Mr. Bill Belfield and the Misses Onet have also been seen at covertsides.

ROSE'S QUARTER MAY RACE IN INTERNATIONAL

Notices just read in the Racing Calendar outlined the conditions, for the Belmont Park International 'Chase on May 8th.

One is that all entries for invitation must be in at Messrs. Weatherby by noon on March 10. In Ireland, they are to be in by March 5. Final selections will be made, and then published about the 12th. of March. Invitees will be flown to New York at the end of April.

One stipulation is that a horse intended for the International shall not be raced from the date of acceptance until the time he lines out at Belmont. This means that ours may take part in the Cheltenham meeting, early next month, but would not be available for Aintree or the Irish Grand National meetings. As anything may happen at Cheltenham, owners do not feel inclined to go out on a limb until after this meeting which is the most important perhaps in the entire National Hunt program.

Nevertheless, one horse seems more than likely to be invited. This is Rose's Quarter, winner by 20 lengths of the Baldoyle 'Chase over 2 miles 1 furlong, at Baldoyle racecourse, Dublin. The son of Quarteron carrying the well-known "Tetrarch stripes" is owned by George Ansley, and is trained by Tom Dreaper. In the race, ridden by Pat Taaffe, he literally jumped back into his old form and had it won a long way out.

Present, enjoying the racing, was Stephen C. Clarke, Jr. and from all accounts he was highly impressed by the winner. One thing in his favor is that he now is clearly a better horse at the shorter distances than the longer ones he formerly attempted, which would point to his Belmont chances. I know that Dreaper has always been high on his potential. —Philip deBurgh-O'Brien

THUNDER SOLD

On February 1 Mrs. H. E. Black purchased Thunder, a very good open jumper, from Jim McCleave of the Clearbrook Stables in Seattle, Wash. Thunder was not shown extensively in 1953 but in the shows where he competed, he did very well. At the Clearbrook Shrine Show he picked up 5 blues in 5 jumping classes. He was champion of the Seattle International and was the champion of Western Canada Class at the Vancouver B. C. International. —Helen Cook

WITH MONEY IN HAND

Over in Europe at present is Mr. J. F. Flanigan from the U. S. A. with a lot of cash to put on the line for 'chasing prospects. He is representing a syndicate and is taking his time looking over a number of potential buys. It is thought he will arrange for his purchases, which may include one or two French-breds, to accompany the Belmont Park horses by air. Some at least, will be put up for auction in the States at a later date. —Philip deBurgh-O'Brien

MR. COLE APPOINTED CHAIRMAN

Following his reappointment of Ashley T. Cole as a member of the New York State Racing Commission for a 6-year-old term commencing May 1, 1954, Governor Dewey has designated Mr. Cole as the Chairman of the Commission.

Mr. Cole, originally appointed to the Racing Commission by Governor Lehman for a 6-year-old term commencing May 1, 1942, was reappointed by Governor Dewey in 1948. Mr. Cole has been chairman of the Commission since February 1, 1945.

LEG UP

Everybody and his cousin is galloping race horses these days out at Mickey Walsh's Stoneybrook Stables in Southern Pines, N. C., the heavy schedule being headed toward the hunt race meeting on the 20th. It is just like old home week to see all the Walsh young entry—Joan, Maureen and Audrey with dozens

of little colored exercise boys in their wake—galloping around the track. Others who are conditioning their own string or merely helping out Mickey Walsh include Charles Stitzer, Lloyd "Junebug" Tate, Beverley Gray, F. D. "Dooley" Adams and of course, Stoneybrook's regular rider, Carlyle Cameron. Sue Randolph

GRAND ONSLAUGHT

Irish owners and trainers are making a grand onslaught on the big Cheltenham prizes early in March. Leading the vanguard will be trainers, Vincent O'Brien, whose Knock Hard is well-fancied to win the Gold Cup for the second year running. His charge, Galatian is expected to make the hurdles champ, Sir Ken go all out in the Champion Hurdle. Tom Dreaper will be represented by Quare Times, a hot-tip for the 'Chase, and Magnier, Osborne and others will be hard to beat with their horses, also. For the first time, the three chief Cheltenham events, The Gold Cup, The Champion Hurdle and the National Hunt 'Chase will be televised. Naturally, acceptance (or entry) of some of the cracks for Belmont Park will depend on what happens at the popular Prestbury Park meeting. Philip deBurgh-O'Brien

IN IRELAND

Mason Houghland, MFH of Hillsboro Hounds, writes that William D. Haggard III and Jack Bass, Jr. who are among the most enthusiastic of that pack have recently gone to Ireland to finish out the hunting season. They were joined by Mr. Jack Rodes from the Oldham County Hunt near Louisville, Kentucky. Mr. Haggard expects to get a couple of weeks hunting in England as well.



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Munnings Conveys Tense Excitement of a Start In Cover Picture

Our cover picture is one of a series of sketches which Munnings made of jockeys and horses jockeying for position at the start. In England, where they are unencumbered by such devices as automatic starting gates, the scene is one of the most colorful connected with the turf. In this country, by way of contrast, it consists largely of pipes, sheet metal and rubber tires, with only occasional flashes of color.

Using plenty of paint, but comparatively few brush strokes, Munnings conveys perfectly the impression of tense excitement, of horses and riders flank to flank and boot to boot, of shining coats and brilliant colors. Perhaps because the artist is more relaxed in execution, there is a direct quality about a sketch of this kind which somehow conveys more than the finished picture. Among several which he did of this particular subject, this is certainly one of the best.—A. M. S.

Letters To The Editor

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name recalls my own favorites, Golden Duck and Palmetto!

I am enclosing the announcement of my book which may interest you. If it is a success, a second volume will appear which includes my "judging" years in which your name appears!

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lida Fleitmann Bloodgood

January 14, 1954

Rome, Italy

Jumpers Courses

Dear Sir:

Enjoyed reading in this weeks Chronicle, the article by Uldin Wilhelms on ideas on setting up jumping courses.

The writer is in dire need of some help on setting up an outside Hunter course. We have no post and rail factory in this area, but plenty of Pine and Hardwood rails and logs, muscle and cement.

If some of your readers of this column would please send some photographs of jumps, built from home grown timber, I would sure appreciate seeing them, promising to return them, after studying their construction and any comments which accompany the photographs would be greatly appreciated as to the method of preparing the timber, depth of holes, width of obstacles etc.

Sincerely yours,

Allyn D. Robb

Febuary 12, 1954

Saralyn Farms
Watkinsville, Ga.

Correction

Dear Sir:

I would like to correct an item in the February 19th issue of The Chronicle—Horses of Note

"... The Joint Master, Mrs. Holger Bidstrup, was riding her home-bred Chillick, which is by *Barred Umber, out of a daughter of Anne Excellence, the mare which was originally owned by the father of George Robert Slater. Anne Excellence was raced by the late Courtland



(Hawkins Photo)

At Columbia, S. C., winter quarters—(l. to r.): Trainer Max Hirsch, Bill Boniface, of the Baltimore Sun, Ed Kelly of Brookfield Stables, Fred Colwill, Pimlico Racing Secretary and Burnett Wilson, West Chester, Pa.

Smith for whom she won 37 races. . ."

Anne Excellence, by King James, out of Excellence, was bred and raced by my father, the late George H. Slater. She was racing in his colors when she won the 37 or more races mentioned in The Chronicle. Courtland Smith bought the mare at the dispersal sale held after my father's death, for a brood mare. I checked with Mrs. Smith and she said Courtney never started her but once and she finished out of the money.

Sincerely yours,

George R. Slater

February 22, 1954

Upperville, Virginia

British Ponies

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tough, sound little animals which soon respond to the gentle and confident treatment of children for whom they offer a companionship nearer to the loyalty of the dog than to the servitude of the horse. Heavier ponies, just as sound and sensible, come from the Lakeland fells, Scotland and the Connemara mountains.

It used to be said that buying a good pony was more difficult than buying a good horse. That this remains true is due to the meat shortage, which brought a swift death to many a foal worthy of a better fate, and to the foolish dilution of some of the best native strains with inferior blood.

The first threat may now be receding. Efforts to end the second deserve full support, if only because of the export value of British ponies. They are now in increasing demand in America.

But the greatest value of a pony fit to be trusted with a child (which means

nearly all of them if fairly treated) is at home, and a few minutes in the company of any child lucky enough to own one will prove it. The mutual sense of responsibility which grows up between the two gives character to both, as well as pleasure.

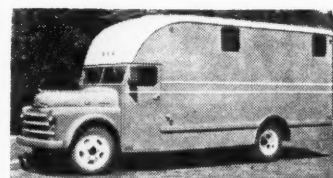
—W. S.

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ARABIAN SIRE IN SWEDEN

Dr. Arvid Aaby-Ericsson of the Swedish Half-bred Breeders' Association, recently imported a purebred Arabian stallion from Poland to his stud. Doctor Aaby-Ericsson has bred half-Arabians since 1939 and his horses are famous throughout Europe. He exported one of his stallions, Nerox, to the German National Stud, Celle, some years ago. It is interesting since this stallion is the first purebred Arabian sire in Sweden since the end of the last century.

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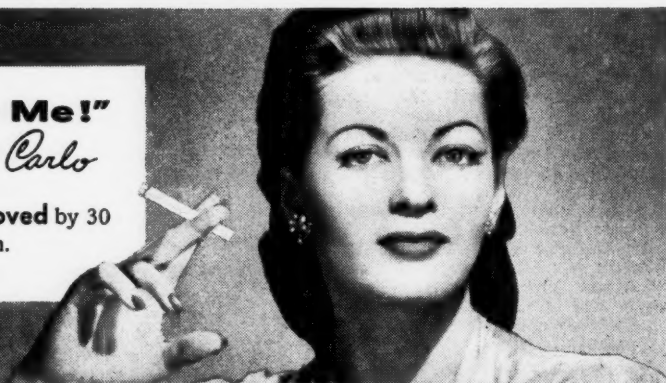
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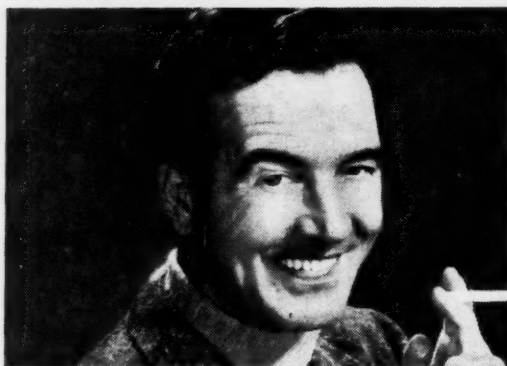
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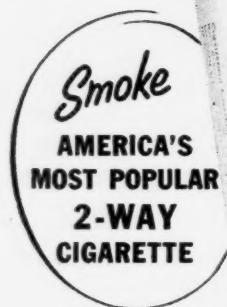
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